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Boosting Food Production

THE Governor's advice to local farmers on measures to reduce costs and increase production underlines the seriousness with which all must regard the recent alarming fluctuations in local food prices and the irregularity of imports from China. For while our farms supply a small and growing proportion of local needs the greater part has to be imported. Hongkong will probably never be entirely self-sufficient though it can be hoped that new scientific methods and intense development will greatly relieve our present dependence on imported foods.

For there is a story of pleasing achievement to record about the growth of farm produce and fish in recent years which our Un Long exhibition does not tell. Few for example realise that after feeding themselves the New Territories people produce 60 per cent of the vegetables we consume, 29 per cent of the pork, 12 to 15 per cent of the eggs and poultry and about eight per cent of the rice. As for fish, but for recent restrictions, the local fleet would be supplying all our needs. And the chances are that with vegetables, pigs and poultry, significant increases in production can be expected. In the last five years we have already more than doubled pig production.

Protection

IT is to be hoped that more development companies follow the lead of a local cattle importing concern which has established itself on Lantau. Projects like these backed by the knowledge of overseas breeders could make significant contributions to the locally-produced food supply. In expanding production Hongkong must think of primary products, because the satisfaction of local needs should be as important a part of overall development plans as the building up of our export trade.

But until the Colony is producing more than today, not only have local farmers to be protected, but consumers. The shortage of chickens is a case in point: the price has more than doubled in less than a month because imports have slumped. Taiwan chickens are being imported to relieve the shortage but at prices that will be prohibitive to many. Pork, eggs and fish have also been dearer and though increases have been much less severe, the danger is that with exports from China subject to fluctuation and possibly manipulation the Colony could be seriously inconvenienced.

It is premature to remind Government of the powers it possesses for declaring certain goods "reserved commodities"—but here is a measure which may have to be used widely one day unless either Chinese imports are satisfactorily stabilized or new sources of supply at reasonable prices secured. So far Hongkong has in recent years "reserved" firewood, coal and rice for varying periods and while the artificial monopolies that this procedure creates run counter to our system of free competition, the safeguarding of the local market is of paramount concern.

EXPORT FROM CHINA HALVED IN PAST MONTHS HK Poultry Shortage

Expected To Ease Before Chinese New Year

By CHINA MAIL REPORTER

More chickens are expected to reach the Colony in time for Chinese New Year (February 8), to ease the present shortage which has sent prices soaring.

The poultry will be coming from the Mainland, but it is not known in what quantities, according to Mr Yip Yuen-lam, of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Hongkong depends on the Mainland for the bulk of her poultry, and over the past few months, the regular flow of poultry from China to Hongkong has been halved. Approximately 6-7,000 pieces of poultry are being imported daily.

The Trouble

But according to Mr Yip, we are not desperately short. He expects that as Chinese New Year approaches, there should be a rise in the amount of poultry coming from the Mainland. He believes that the fall in the amount of poultry coming in had something to do with transportation troubles. He said that almost all the poultry being brought to Hongkong was coming from Kwangtung through Canton. Mr Yip said the higher prices for poultry during this season were usual, but it has never been quite so high as it is at present. Dealers usually add 20-30 per cent on to the price during Chinese New Year, but never 50 per cent.

Price Increase

One big Chinese restaurant manager said this morning he was not feeling the pinch of the shortage, but he was feeling the increase in price. He had a contract with a farm in the New Territories to buy chickens for the restaurant. But now suddenly the price had been doubled. Once a month a consignment of chickens arrives from Taiwan. This amounts to about 10,000 pieces, and is only enough for about four days at the present time, according to Mr Yip.

Turko-Greek Meeting

Paris, Jan. 18. Evangelos Averoff and Falim Rustu Zorlu, Foreign Ministers of Greece and Turkey, conferred here today for two-and-a-half hours, reportedly over the Cyprus question. Sources within the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs said the two men, who also had luncheon together, discussed issues under "friendly" conditions, and both appeared to have been satisfied with the meeting. They may meet again tomorrow.—France-Press.

Brinks Robbery Man Spirited Out Of Gaol And Back Again

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 18. JOSEPH J. (Specs) O'Keefe, a Brinks robbery informant who is to be a prime target of underworld revenge, was spirited out of his gaol cell under very heavy guard today to go to his mother's wake. O'Keefe, who is awaiting sentence for his part in the \$1,210,000 robbery of Brinks, Inc., in Boston nine

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"I don't know whether it's just my imagination, but there seems to be a very changed atmosphere in the club just recently."

London Express Service.

CHURCH MAKES £350,000 PROFIT

London, Jan. 18. The Church of England sold its 260,000 shares in British Aluminium to Tube Investments for around £1,105,000. This became known after it had been conceded that Tube Investments had won the battle for control of Britain's sole aluminium producer. The Church has made a profit of at least £350,000 on its shares, which stood at 55s. when the row started. The Tube Investments bid is 85s. a share. The Church has investments worth £221 million. The income from these goes towards paying parsons.—London Express Service. (See P. 9, C. 7)

Tried To Pass A "Mickey"

Manila, Jan. 18. NOTHING could convince 80-year-old Mariano Padilla that Japanese war notes were no longer legal tender when he insisted on paying his bus fare with the "Mickey Mouse" money (as the notes are known here), according to a report from Cebu City in the southern Philippines. Mr Padilla told police that he had worked for the money during the Japanese occupation of the country and if it was good enough for him to accept then it must be good enough for the bus company to accept as fare now—14 years after the war. Somebody paid the fare with good Philippine currency and the police told the old man to go home.—China Mail Special.

'CHEATING' IN AUSTRALIAN TESTS WARDLE SAYS

Melbourne, Jan. 18. JOHNNY Wardle, the former England and Yorkshire spin bowler, accused both England and Australia of "cheating" in the present Test series when he appeared on a Melbourne commercial television programme tonight. He said he had a "passing fancy" that Australia could have won the Third Test and the ashes but the "powers that be" were out to make money out of the tour and said "Make this a draw."

Wardle, whose invitation to play for MCC was withdrawn before the tour started, alleged that Australian fast bowler, Ian Meckiff,



Johnny Wardle

broke the laws of cricket by throwing. He also claimed that England spinner Tony Lock threw the ball and was not a "brilliant bowler." Wardle said he had a slow motion picture of Meckiff which proved he used a throwing action. He also accused West Indies and Pakistan of "cheating," saying each country had at least one bowler who threw. Wardle claimed that the MCC ordered umpires in England to ignore throwing by visiting bowlers "to avoid international incidents." He added: "Umpires all over the world are shirking their job."—China Mail Special.

UK Prostitution Bill Termed Very Dangerous

London, Jan. 18. The British National Council for Civil Liberties has written to the Home Secretary, Mr R. A. Butler, protesting at the terms of a bill which provides for stiffer penalties for prostitution.

Both the National Council and the Church of England Moral Welfare Council, which today published a pamphlet on the subject, see in the proposed bill a danger to personal liberty. In a letter to Mr Butler, the National Council pointed out that while the soliciting of men by women in Britain will be an offence, there will be no prosecution of men who solicit women for prostitution.

The previous safeguard for innocent women will be removed by the elimination of the requirement to establish annoyance and by the provision that loitering without soliciting will be an offence, it maintained. The National Council, which is calling for the withdrawal of the bill in its present form, also said that the additional power to be given to the police

Round-The-World In A 25-Ft Sloop

Newcastle, Jan. 18. A Royal Naval officer who three years ago sailed a sloop single-handed to New Zealand said today he was planning a round-the-world trip in a similar vessel. The officer, Lieutenant-Commander Michael Ballies, 35-year-old bachelor—retires from the Navy in May and expects to be away five years in a 25-foot Swedish-designed sloop now being built. On this trip he will take a crew of three and said: "If the right girl comes along I have no objection to having a woman aboard."—Reuter.

Husband Beater Divorced

Chicago, Jan. 17. Superior Court Judge Frank M. Padden yesterday granted six-footer John K. Lawrence, 48, a divorce on testimony that his wife beat him up three times. Lawrence described his wife, Annabelle, 39, as five feet two inches tall and weighing 98 pounds. He also said she was "ferocious"—U.P.I.

America Now Has Ideal Moon Rocket Motor

China Lake, Cal., Jan. 18. The chief of the U.S. Navy Missile Propulsion Section at China Lake Proving Grounds disclosed today that a rocket motor had been developed that will permit rockets to land on the moon or other planets and bring manned satellites back from orbit under complete control.

Small Fire At Windsor Castle

Windsor, Jan. 18. A small fire in Windsor Castle brought fire engines racing to the 700-year-old ancestral home of the Royal family tonight. But the household staff had the flames snuffed out by the time the firemen arrived. Damage was minor. The flames were confined to one room of Burford House, where members of the Royal staff live.—U.P.I.

New Control

He noted that the United States already possessed engines "that could go to the moon if we had proper control over them. This new control gives us that control," he said. "It means we can change direction and speed in flight, that we can slow down and make a feather-soft landing on the moon or any of the planets and take off again. It also means we can bring manned satellites back from orbit without damage by controlling direction and speed as they re-enter the atmosphere."

Meanwhile it was announced in Dallas, a new, secret tele-guided ground to air missile built by the Chance-Vought Aircraft Company, was tested today at the Redstone, Alabama, proving grounds.—France-Press.

Hongkong Boy Wins Honours In Painting Contest

London, Jan. 19. Leo Man-sung, a 10-year-old boy from Hongkong, has tied with an English girl aged 13 in an international painting contest for deaf children. He sent in a Chinese scene while Lillian Walsh entered a portrait of a girl holding a bunch of spring flowers. They topped the prize list in a contest which attracted

nearly 1,000 paintings from deaf children the world over aged between four and 16. Eminent members of the Royal Academy of Arts judged the entries. The competition was arranged by the magazine "Modern Hearing" and the National Deaf Children's Society.—Reuter.

MIKOYAN HOLDS:

SOVIET POSITION ON BERLIN 'SOLID & CORRECT'

Washington, Jan. 18. Mr Anastas Mikoyan, the Soviet Deputy Premier, said tonight that in his talks with President Eisenhower and Mr Dulles he had not received any convincing counter-proposals on Berlin.

He said the Soviet Union's position on Berlin—the Russian proposal is to turn West Berlin into a demilitarized free city—was "solid and correct." Answering questions on the TV programme "Meet the Press," Mr Mikoyan said his "true purpose" for visiting the U.S. was "to find out what has been happening in this country" since his first visit 22 years ago.

China

One questioner asked if the Soviet Union had the "desire or the capacity to restrain China's belligerence." The Soviet leader replied: "We have no reason to restrain the Chinese because we regard them as a very restrained people. As a matter of fact,

one is surprised at the patience they have." The Communist Chinese were "tolerating" the presence of American troops on Formosa, he added. He was in a jovial mood as he began the hour-long interview. Mr Mikoyan sidestepped a question as to why Tass, the official Soviet News Agency account of his visit had not reported some of his "most interesting and most candid statements," such as his admission of mistakes made under the Stalin era. He said: "First of all I must say I have not had a chance to read all the Tass reports. But the things I have said here I would readily repeat back home."

Stalin Speech

Asked why the famous speech of Mr Nikita Khrushchev denouncing Marshal Stalin at a secret Party Congress had never been published in the Soviet Union, Mr Mikoyan replied: "We would have published it immediately but we know we have many enemies who would like to use these things against us." He was presumably referring to the charges against Stalin.

He flatly denied the fact that there was no criticism of Mr Khrushchev in the Soviet press meant that a new "personality cult" was emerging in the Soviet Union. Mr Mikoyan professed no concern at the possible danger that the Chinese would spill over into Soviet territory once their population topped the 1,000-million mark, as is expected by 1980. Science would be able to provide the means to feed everyone, Mr Mikoyan said. In addition, Chinese agriculture and industry were making giant steps forward. He said agricultural production this past year had increased 60 per cent and industrial production had doubled.—Reuter and U.P.I.

Eoka Men Captured With Arms

Nicosia, Jan. 18. British security forces arrested three Greek-Cypriots and seized a large quantity of arms, ammunition, and equipment which they found in a hideout in southwest Cyprus today, an official communique said.

It was the first arrest of members of Eoka (the Greek-Cypriot underground organisation), since Eoka made its truce offer last December 24.

The communique said the hideout was discovered by police during "normal patrol activities" in open country near Kato Zodia Village not far from a zone in which wide anti-Eoka operations were being conducted. It said the men offered no resistance and no shots were exchanged.

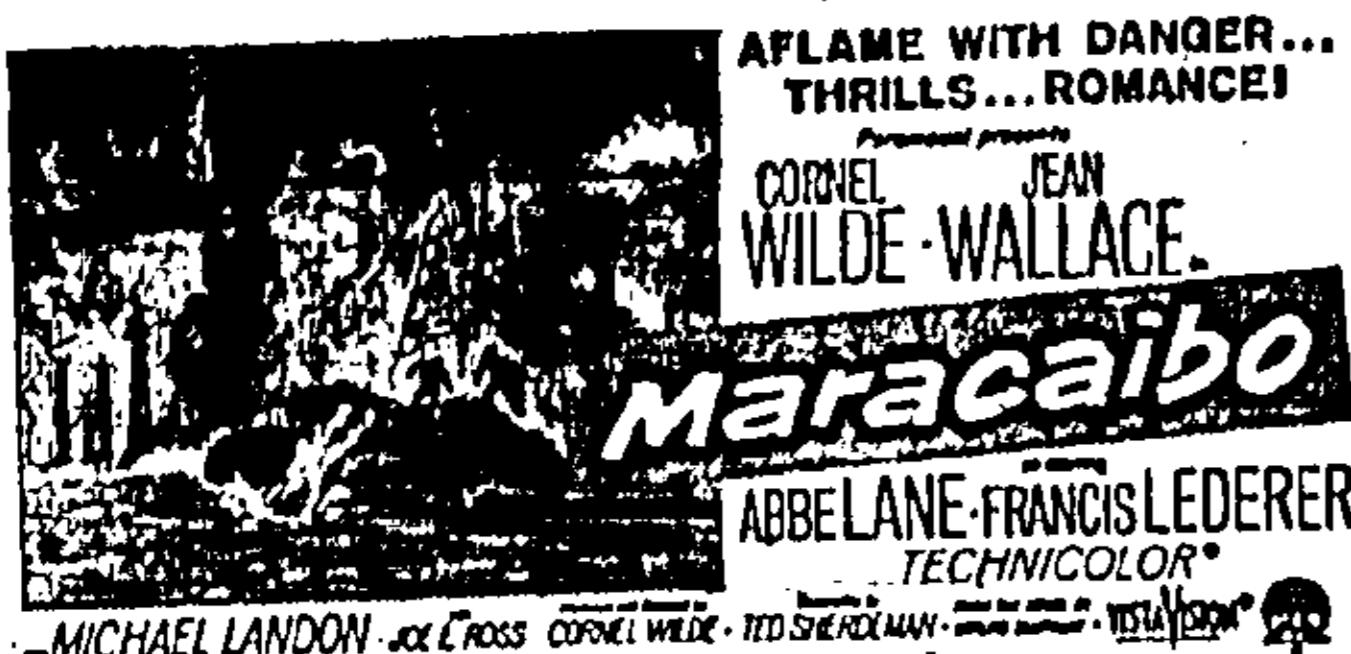
A security forces spokesman said that the three men caught in the hideout were not on the list of wanted Eoka men; but he added that "the circumstances of their arrest obviously make them wanted men."—France-Press.

RELIGIOUS CONDUCT FOR MOON JEWS

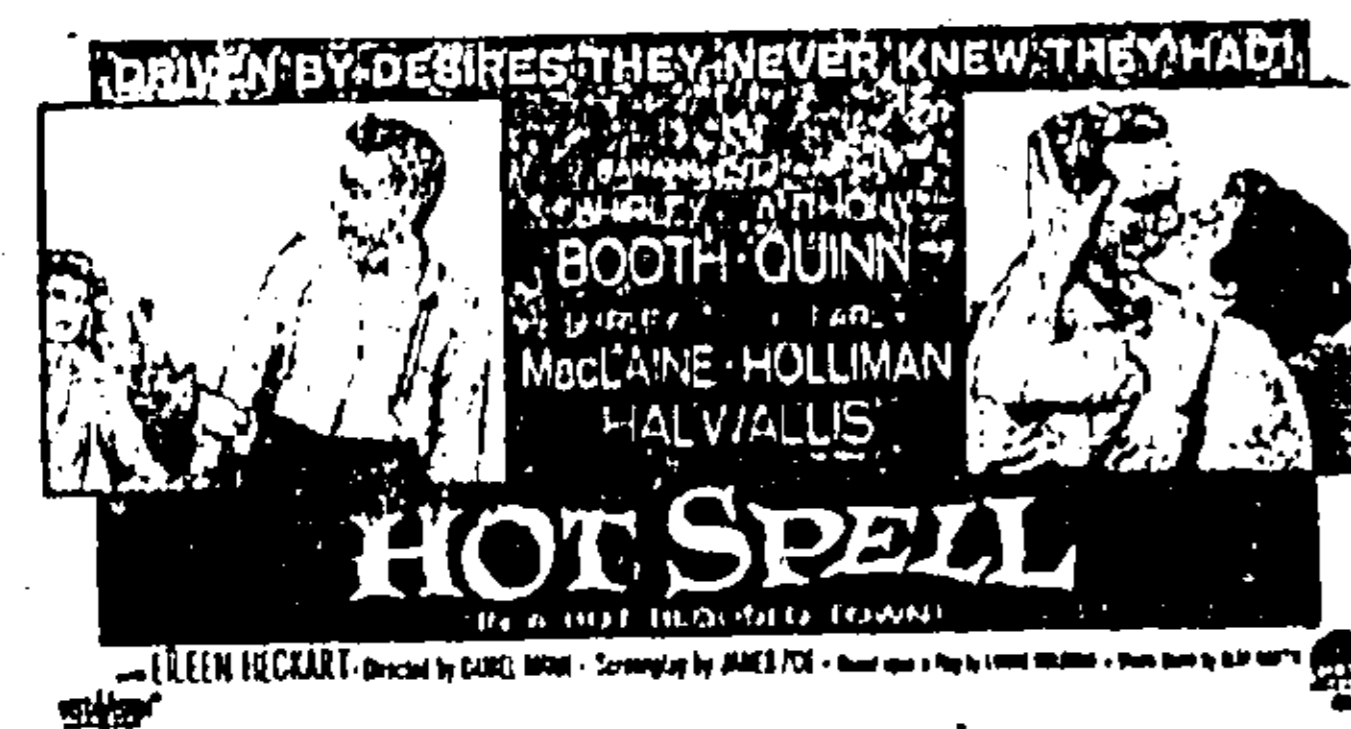
Jerusalem, Jan. 19. A group of prominent Jewish legal experts and religious leaders met in Haifa today to discuss the code of religious conduct to be observed by the first Jew to land on the moon. They decided that since a Lunar day corresponds to a terrestrial fortnight, he would have to celebrate the Sabbath twice a day, but he would not be obliged to bless the moon at the beginning of each month in accordance with the Jewish custom on earth. No decision was taken on the colour of prayer shawls, which normally correspond to the colour of the sky, because of the "absence of information on the actual colour of the sky as seen from the moon."—France-Press.

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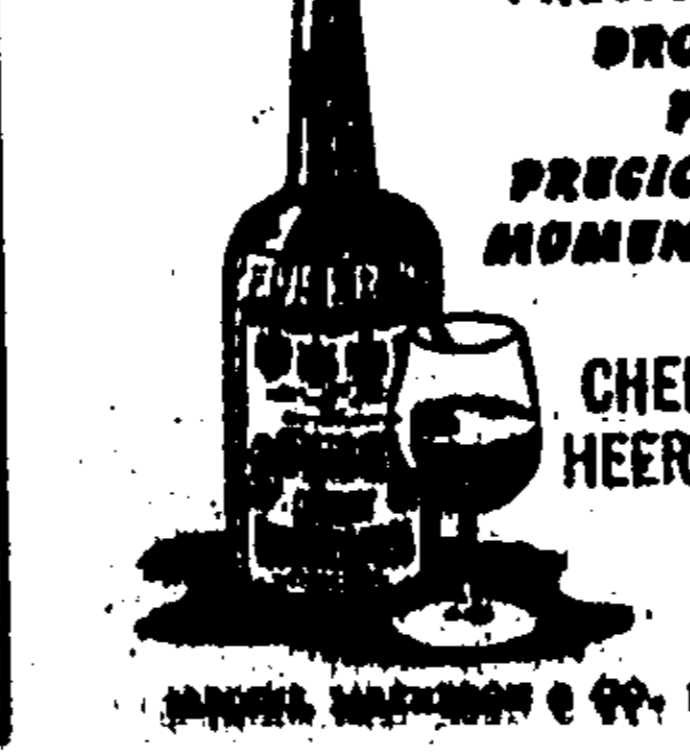
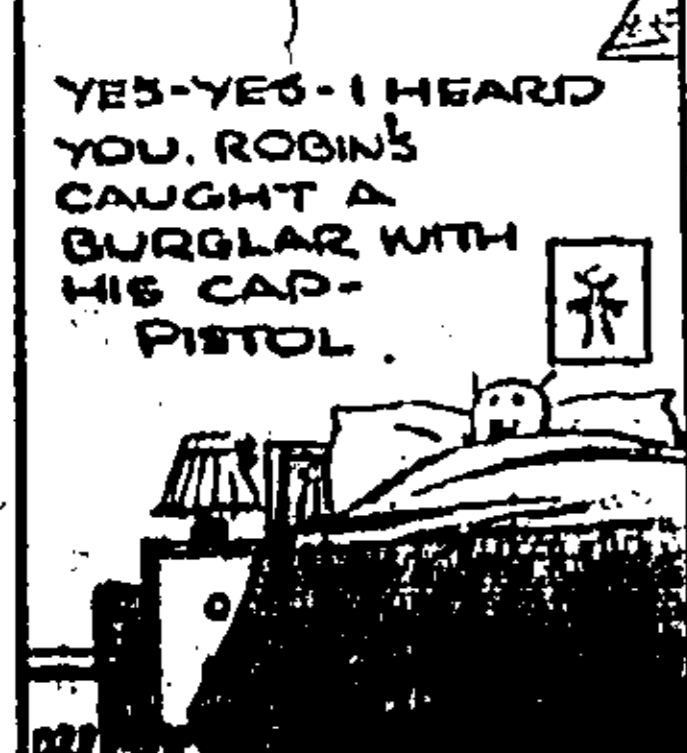
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Attlee Hits Out At MPs Now

By Douglas Clark

London, Jan. 18.

Earl Attlee, the Socialist ex-Prime Minister, has touched off a new storm of controversy.

In a blunt and startling account of Parliament as he has known it over 36 years, he accuses M.P.s of—

Being careerists. Being puffed up with self-importance. Chasing titles. And putting private interests first.

Lord Attlee's revelations in an article in the Political Quarterly will anger politicians of all parties.

Only a few days ago he gave a TV interview that caused bitter resentment in Parliament because of its attack on Mr. Jinnah.

Lord Attlee paints the faults and virtues of M.P.s in his best acid style. He believes that the "great majority" of them are "imbued with the incentive of service—some wholly so, and they are pure gold."

EGOIST

But then: "In others there is an alloy of baser metal. In some the gold may be only a narrow streak, almost non-existent, but it is there."

Confessing that it is easy to be mistaken about people, Lord Attlee recalls one Socialist M.P. (he "had always seemed to me to be an egoist") who refused a post in the 1945 Government because he thought he was not good enough.

"On the other hand, there was a young man who was, I thought, a complete idealist, but he turned out to be the most blatant careerist I have ever known."

QUESTION: To whom is he referring? He appears to be hinting that this unnamed Socialist was a Minister. Does he still sit on the Socialist Front Bench?

[Last night Lord Attlee said: "I am not identifying anyone mentioned in the article."]

DRUDGE

Another anonymous politician Attlee mentions was a Tory "in a great hereditary position."

"He could, if he had wished, have spent his time idly or in country pursuits which he loved, yet night after night there he was doing the drudgery of a Government Whip."

Lord Attlee deals with the baser motives which attract some M.P.s into public life—DEBILITY to "shine above one's fellows."

SELF-IMPORTANCE. "Fellow M.P.s sometimes marvel when they see the deference paid locally to a colleague who is regarded as a strong candidate for being the biggest fool in the House."

PRIVATE INTEREST. Lord Attlee says some M.P.s he has known were quite frankly there to further private enterprises in which they were concerned.

SERVANTS

He recalls one who had "quite a group of directors of his concerns in the House," and others who were considered the servants of big business.

Similarly, he adds, trade union M.P.s are concerned in the financial position of members of their unions.

And then there are the out-and-out careerists without any settled convictions "who creep and intrude and climb into the fold."

And as for rising to the House of Lords—which Lord Attlee did in 1955—he says: "Such prestige as attaches to being a noble lord can be attained without bothering to attend."



Mr Attlee

Apology To Pakistan By Lord Home

Karachi, Jan. 18.

The Times of Karachi said today the Earl of Home, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, had offered a "gracious" apology over the "unpleasant" affair Attlee.

Lord Home sent a message to Pakistan earlier this week disavowing the British Government from criticisms of Mohammed Ali Jinnah, founder of Pakistan, by Earl Attlee in a BBC television interview on January 4.

The Times of Karachi said Lord Home had absolved the British Government of any responsibility and this should now close the incident, but the BBC might have shown more "responsibility" in handling Lord Attlee's "senile" reflections.—Reuters.

INDEPENDENT NENNI ELECTED

Naples, Jan. 18.

Signor Pietro Nenni tonight retained control of the Italian Socialist Party on a platform of political independence from the Communists, according to unofficial figures of voting at the end of the Party Congress.

These figures gave Signor Nenni 58 per cent of the votes—which means 47 seats on the party Central Committee—against 33 per cent and 27 seats for a pro-Communist group and nine per cent and seven seats for a compromise section.

Official results were expected around midnight.—Reuters.

Shelling

Taipei, Jan. 19.

Mainland artillery resumed sporadic firing this morning after 48 hours of silence, the Defence Ministry announced.—France-Press.

Not The Missile Age Yet, Says RAF Chief

Christchurch, Jan. 18. Guided missiles will never entirely replace manned bombers in Britain and will not even count as a partial replacement for a long time, Marshal of the RAF, Sir John Slessor, said in an interview today.

He said that since Britain had no guided missiles to effectively replace conventional aircraft, talks of guided missile air force were premature.

There had been a great deal said of the last manned bomber but his information was that another manned bomber had been ordered in Britain, and he thought there would be another before very long.

Sir John Slessor said that even if Britain did possess guided missiles, they did not have the flexibility of the manned bomber.—Reuters.

Opposition To New Rocket Base

London, Jan. 18.

Supporters of the Direct Action Committee against Nuclear War are planning to organise opposition here and in Germany to the proposed establishment of a rocket base at Dortmund, West Germany.

Mr Austin Underwood, West England organiser of the anti-H-Bomb organisation, said delegates to the European Congress for Nuclear Disarmament, held this weekend, discussed the proposal.

"The establishment of rocket bases has hitherto been in isolated and sparsely populated areas," he said.

"But now the militarists have deliberately involved millions of people in a densely populated industrial area in their preparations for nuclear war."

Talks were held on Saturday with French, German, Austrian and Norwegian supporters of direct action, and today with German trade union representatives with the object of establishing liaison between the German trade unions and a British direct action group which may be able to co-operate with them.—Reuters.

WHY I ROBBED YOU

Djakarta, Jan. 18. A communicative thief robbed the Chief Prosecutor of Medan and an American missionary, then sat down to write them both letters.

According to press reports, the thief told the public prosecutor he had been robbed because he was hard on criminals and always demanded stiff sentences.

He wrote to the missionary that as he was a man deeply imbued with social duties towards the poor he should not miss his money.—China Mail Special.



Adlai Stevenson

AMERICA "STRICKEN" BY RUSSIA'S ENERGY

Washington, Jan. 18.

Adlai E. Stevenson said tonight the United States had been stricken with a "paralysis of will" in the face of Russia's "vast powerhouse of energy" dedicated to making the whole world Communist.

Mr Stevenson said America's moves in the cold war have been "a depressing degree purely defensive." He said Russia was pushing ahead at a "dynamic pace while U.S. progress was 'sluggish.'"

The twice-defeated Democratic presidential nominee did not criticise any specific U.S. officials. He made his statements in a Powell Davies memorial lecture. Davies was a famous writer and Unitarian minister.

Mr Stevenson said that on his tour of Russia last summer he found the Soviet leaders "quietly confident" that Communism eventually would engulf the world. He said the leaders believe that Communism is "the ultimate unfolding of human destiny, the end of history."

For this reason, he said, "no effort, no dedication, no sacrifice is too great" for the free world. No country in the world is "indifferent" to the Communists, he said.

Mr Stevenson said that in response to the Communist threat "We have offered aid not to help others but to shield ourselves."

"We have reacted to countless Soviet initiatives, acted on our own initiative barely at all," he added. "We watch the skies for other people's sputniks and listen to the teletype wires for other people's moves."—U.P.I.

"It's Not True," Says Canada

Montreal, Jan. 18.

Radio Moscow said today a report from Ottawa indicated the Canadian government will announce the recognition of China tomorrow.

The one-sentence statement was contained in a newscast monitored here.

"It's not true" was the reaction of the External Affairs Minister, Mr Sidney Smith, in Ottawa.—U.P.I.

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Church Poll Opposes Admission Of China

New York, Jan. 18. The Committee of One Million said today that a poll of more than 8,000 Protestant clergymen throughout the U.S. showed that 7,437 were opposed to either recognition of China or its admission to the United Nations.

The Committee said the poll related a resolution adopted by a world study conference, sponsored by the National Council of Churches of Christ, last November in Cleveland.

That resolution proposed that China be given diplomatic recognition by the United States and be admitted to the U.N.

However, Marvin Lismay, Secretary of the Committee of One Million, said its poll showed that American Protestants were overwhelmingly opposed to recognition of China or its admission to the U.N.

Out of 8,572 replies received, he said, 7,437 clergymen registered their opposition; 903 favoured China's recognition and admission, and 172 expressed either no opinion or a divided point of view.

This, he said, refuted the impression given by the study conference resolution. The committee said that the resolution had caused dismay among U.S. allies, Asia and to the millions of enslaved Chinese living under Communist rule.

"In passing this resolution, not a word was mentioned about the relentless drive toward atheism conducted by the Communist masters of the Chinese mainland; about China's torture and imprisonment of Protestants and other religious martyrs; and about the continued imprisonment of young American servicemen," the committee said.—U.P.I.

Defence Takes 60 Per Cent Of All Spending

Washington, Jan. 19. President Eisenhower will send to Congress today a balanced budget of \$77,000 million and a warning against continued deficit spending by the Government.

Programmes for the protection of the United States and its allies are expected to account for almost 60 per cent of the overall budget.

The budget proposes a slow-down in farm support, labour and other welfare programmes, but nevertheless is the second largest spending programme in time of peace.

The President's budget for the 1960 fiscal year beginning next July is expected to estimate a surplus of \$100 million.



Mr. Eisenhower

Non, compared with a deficit of slightly under \$13,000 million, resulting chiefly from anti-recession spending in the current fiscal year.

President Eisenhower will tell Congress that his budget is anti-inflationary, that the government must live within its income and that proposed spending is adequate to keep the nation prosperous and militarily strong.

Mr. Eisenhower's insistence on holding the line is in sharp contrast with congressional demands for increased spending, especially for defence.

U.K. Actor To Be U.S. Citizen

Hollywood, Jan. 18. English film and TV actor Peter Lawford, will apply for U.S. citizenship this month, but dreads the storm of abuse he expects to receive in England.

"The English shouldn't be upset about it," he signed, "but I'm sure I'll be blasted by the Press over there. It happens with everybody."

Lawford, son of "The Thin Man" series TV, has worked and lived in the U.S. since 1940, retaining his British citizenship more from sloth than for patriotic reasons.

"I should have become an American citizen years ago, but I'm a master of procrastination. And really, old man, I consider it a privilege to become a colonial after all these years," he quipped.

"Actually, I do have some definite reasons for becoming an American. My three children are all Americans, and I'd like to be a citizen of the same country. Lawford's father was General Sir Sidney Lawford—knighted for gallantry in battle.—U.P.I.

Newspaper Seized

Leopoldville, Jan. 18. Belgian authorities here seized this week's edition of "Horizons", a weekly newspaper edited by Africans and published by the Catholic Mission. It was announced today.—Reuter.

Strike Action

Buenos Aires, Jan. 18. The Argentine Government took strong measures tonight to counter a general strike which threatened to paralyze the country completely.—Reuter.

Put Foot Down

Derby, Jan. 17. Sidney Brown, 35, charged with speeding, told a court yesterday that while driving he was having an argument with his wife.

"I decided to put my foot down firmly and it went on the accelerator," he explained. The court fined him \$14.—U.P.I.

"Living-Out Queen" May Cause Embarrassment

London, Jan. 18. The Observer today submitted that some of Lord Altrincham's statement about the Queen and the Commonwealth last week were sensible despite his provocative manner.

(The 35-year-old peer told a Commonwealth correspondent's luncheon that the Queen should end her "fooling activities" in Britain and reside more or less impartially in other Commonwealth countries.)

The Observer declared: "There are of course difficulties in this idea."

"One is that some Commonwealth countries, like India, which would welcome the Queen as a visitor, might in fact be embarrassed by having her as a president. After all India is a republic."

"In others, such as South Africa or Pakistan where the government is not elected by a majority vote, she would become associated with a regime which may well be heartily disliked by most of her subjects there."

The Observer continued: "But the idea of the court reflecting the actual composition of the Commonwealth a bit better is sound enough; and so is that of some tactfully organized residence outside these islands."

"If the Commonwealth is neither a stage nor a set of monarchies or democracies, but rather a kind of international society with some vague cultural and political affinities, it would be helpful if the Queen made the most of her chance to symbolize this society by reflecting its variety in the people she appoints to make up her court."

"If Prince Charles develops a slight Australian accent, he owes this valuable asset partly to the untimely removal of Lord Altrincham," the observer added.—China Mail Special.

In a recent raid on two houses near Manila, police discovered marijuana plants being grown in pots.

Strict anti-smuggling measures here have made entry of prohibited drugs into the country difficult.

Police said dope peddlers had now resorted to growing their own supply in the country.

A suspect arrested at one of the houses raided recently implicated three American residents here as behind the raising of marijuana leaves.

In the house was found 10 six-month old marijuana plants, several seeds and some cigarette ready for distribution. In the other house raided, 16 full-grown plants were discovered.

The arrested suspect said marijuana seeds were obtained from seamen passing through the Philippine ports. He said each full-grown plant was worth about \$180.—China Mail Special.



Miss Michiko Shoda, (centre) in traditional kimono, leaves the Tokiwamatsu Palace after calling on her fiancé, Crown Prince Akihito of Japan, with her parents. She formally became the Crown Prince's fiancée by accepting betrothal gifts given by the Crown Prince earlier in the day.—U.P.I. Photo.

Chinese Reds Most Stable, Says Expert

Philadelphia, Jan. 18. The Chinese Communist Party has demonstrated a higher level of political stability than that of any other major Communist party in the world, a political affairs expert said today.

Chao Kuo-chun, visiting lecturer at the Indian school of international studies at the University of Delhi, wrote that the party has also shown significant flexibility and realism in handling complex problems.

"The leadership of the Chinese Communist Party," after carrying through major programmes of political, social and economic reorganization during the years since 1949, remained both cohesive and confident," Chao wrote.

He also cited the high measure of continuity in the membership of the seventh and eighth central committees.

The present, eighth, central committee which was elected in the Autumn of 1956, includes virtually all members of the previous, seventh, committee elected in 1945.

Communes

Another important feature of the Peking leadership, the article said, "lies in the flexibility with which it has been able to co-ordinate political, economic and social programmes."

"In the agricultural sector, for example, the party initiated the Chinese peasant into organized farming through a four-stage process: first, mutual aid teams; then agricultural producer co-operatives, then collectives, and finally people's communes."

"At the same time, collectivization of Chinese agriculture has been closely co-ordinated with agro-technical improvements, rural marketing development, mass education and political indoctrination."

"Thus the Communists have been able to accelerate the process of socialisation in the countryside during the relatively brief period of nine years without serious disruption of the essential process of agricultural production."—U.P.I.

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A burglar stole the trousers of King's County Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz on Saturday while the judge was asleep.

The thief picked up the trousers and took them to the kitchen on the ground floor where he emptied the contents on a table.

He took \$72 from the judge's wallet and escaped through a side door.

The Leibowitz discovered the burglary when they awakened. It was the second time in recent years that the judge's home has been burglarized.—U.P.I.

Royal Bride Will Wear An Old Dress

Tokyo, Jan. 18.

Japan's Crown Prince Akihito, whose storybook romance with a commoner upset the rigid Japanese court, is to have a comparatively simple wedding.

His bride, 24-year-old Michiko Shoda, a wealthy miller's daughter, will wear a second-hand wedding dress passed down from Akihito's sister.

A new one in traditional style would cost \$2,000 and its making would delay the wedding for several months.

The wedding ceremony and reception will cost 40,000,000 yen—about £40,000. There will be three days of celebrations.

This, say the Japanese, will be a streamlined version of the elaborate traditional rites.

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Minnie Brews Her 4,000,000th Pot Of Tea

London, Jan. 18. Mrs. Minnie Thompson gently tilted the silver teapot and asked, "Milk? Sugar?"

This simple act was another milestone in her tea making career—it was the four millionth pot she has brewed since 1919.

Mrs. Thompson, a 54-year-old widow, who is employed by one of Britain's leading catering firms, claims to be the world's champion tea maker.

Her simple technique is so good that she is now tea maker for the delicate palate of her firm's tea taster.

The formula: warm the pot. Put in three teaspoonsful of tea for two people—one for the pot. Pour in the water as soon as it boils. Let the tea brew for three minutes, then stir. After another minute, pour out. Always put the milk in the cup first.

10 lbs each

Britons are the heaviest tea drinkers in the world, according to the tea bureau here.

They consume an average of ten pounds annually a head of population.

In 1957, more than 250,000 tons of the little black leaf went into the teapots of Britain—a 20 per cent rise on pre-war consumption.

The southern Irish come next with an average consumption of eight pounds a head, followed by New Zealanders with 6.75 pounds and Australians with six pounds.

Although coffee drinking is on the increase in Britain it is no rival to tea, an average of 1.3 lbs a head being consumed annually.—Reuter.

MARATHON TRIAL RE-OPENS

Pretoria, Jan. 18. South Africa's marathon treason trial re-opens here tomorrow, more than two years after it began.

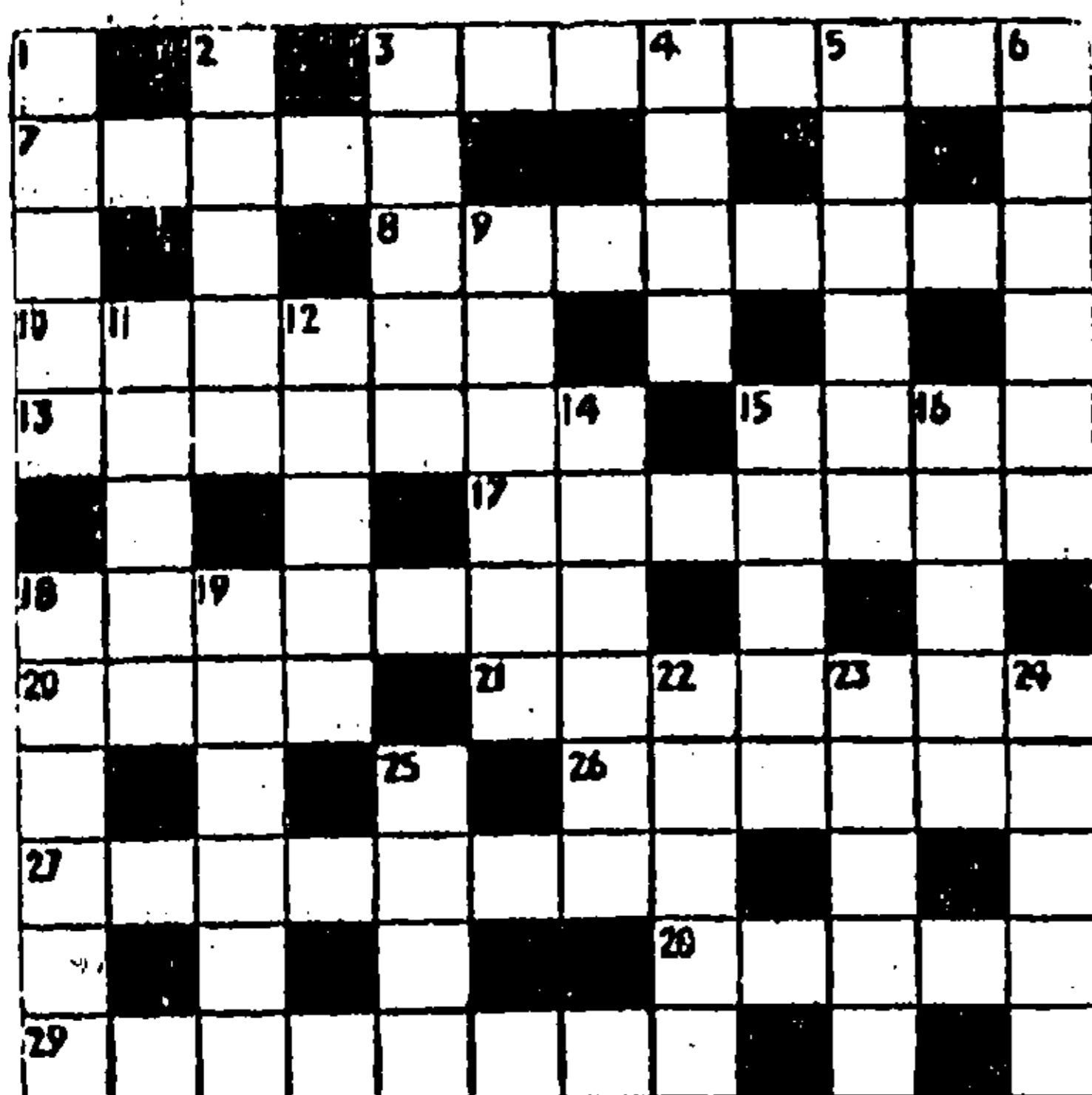
Thirty of the 156 people arrested in December 1956 on treason charges will appear before the special criminal court.

Of the remainder, 61 will go on trial in April 59. Charges against the rest have been dropped.

The charge against the 30 who will appear on Monday is high treason which can carry the death penalty.

Alternative charges of offences under the Suppression of Communism Act were dropped by the prosecution after attacks on the indictment by the defence.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 3 and 6. Fine words do, we're told (6, 2, 8).
 7. Feeling of languor (5).
 8. See "3 Across".
 10. Sailor accustomed to be reviled (6).
 13. Mocks (7).
 15. Dry and withered (4).
 17. Rifle (7).
 18. The reprieve of a fencer, maybe (7).
 20. Almost at once (4).
 21. One the police may have in mind (7).
 26. What's the secret (6).
 27. Hardly a term of endearment for a neuralgic condition (8).
 28. Two score before one gets the advantage (5).
 29. Drive out spirits (5).
- DOWN
1. Have children, as an Irishman might say! (5).
 2. Bring on as a consequence (5).
 3. Descriptive of you and me (5).
 4. A money-spinner may do it (4).
 5. Brought to nought (6).
 6. It's liable to be dragged from bed and eaten (8).
 9. Experts (6).
 11. Start being different! (5).
 12. Simple character (5).
 14. Detective in a hustle, maybe (6).
 15. Take a pot shot at a bird (5).
 16. Return an impulse (5).
 18. Lottery (6).
 19. S. American cloak (6).
 22. Edible European (6).
 23. Come next (5).
 24. Writes mechanically (5).
 25. Troops, initially, in cars (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Salam, 5. Corps (6), 8. Alan, 9. Asad, 10. Ramps, 11. Lilac, 12. Dope, 13. Floss, 20. Eileen, 21. States, 22. Tutor, 23. Able, 24. Indus, 25. Bugle, 26. Murre, 27. Escher, 28. April, 29. Street. Down: 1. Stand out, 2. Last post, 3. Mail, 4. Elliott, 5. Carpes, 6. Oracle, 7. Pipes, 14. One by one, 15. Blot, 16. Earnest, 17. Legumes, 19. Teller, 21. Urugy, 24. Sort.

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ROUND UP

Pocket Radio For Police

A pocket radio set, the size of a cigarette packet, by which any policeman can be called wherever he is, is being tried out by Nottingham police. The set sounds a warning note and the officer then hurries to the nearest telephone to contact headquarters. It can single out and call anyone of 600 men. Chief Constable of Nottingham, Captain A. P. Jones, says the device would revolutionise foot patrol. An officer on his beat is virtually lost and has to telephone his station every half hour. Now he could get on with his job and be called when required.

Britain's Holiday "Birdmen"

"GLIDING HOLIDAYS" are becoming more popular in Britain. More than 3,000 people have spent their annual holidays in the last two years learning to become "birdmen" at 15 gliding centres of the British Gliding Association. Last year there were 185 courses and this year there will be as many to meet the growing demand for the sport. An apt pupil can learn to glide in a week and sail off on solo flights. Many holidaymakers are accompanied by their wives and families to some centres, where they can park a caravan for a week. Most centres are beauty spots. They include the Lake District, Taunton Vale, Perranporth, Cornwall, the Isle of Wight and the shores of Loch Leven.

Cigar-Smoking Contest-With Women

ABOUT 50 men and women are competing in a "grand cigar smoking contest" at the village of Reepham, near Lincoln. They will sit in the bar of the local inn smoking cigars. The competitor who keeps the ash on the cigar for the longest period is the winner. Any competitor who loses the ash or who fails to "show smoke" at the call of the umpire is eliminated. On at least two occasions in recent years women have been the winners. A competitor once kept his five-inch cigar burning for an hour and 20 minutes. Prizes are kept until the end of the competition. Last year they included a sack of potatoes.

Barracks May Become Gaols

THREE Western Command Army barracks in Lancashire may be turned into prisons. Wellington Barracks, Bury, Harrogate Barracks, Forthby, and Peninsula Barracks, Warrington, are all to be sold. Representatives of the Prison Commission have inspected all, but they have not yet decided whether to take them over. Harrogate Barracks was the depot of the King's Regiment (Liverpool). It was built as an infantry centre at the beginning of the war. Wellington Barracks will fall empty when the Lancashire Fusiliers leave there this year. It has been their depot for 65 years. Peninsula Barracks was formerly the depot of the South Lancashire Regiment.

... And long live Errol Flynn-by Giles



Hollywood's Lolla Mansroe unobtrusively slipped off to the wars today to take up nursing. "My job is at the front," she said. "It is the duty of us girls to help heal our brave rebel film stars."

Her first repair will be Mr. Errol Flynn (late conqueror of the Far East, late Robin Hood), who has just won the Battle of Cuba in two weeks. He was supported by Fidel Castro and 100,000 Cubans. Mr. Flynn collected a couple of nasty scratches somewhere near the Casino, took two hours by telephone to tell his publicity agent in Hollywood.

"It's your own fault," said an American spokesman to a fascinated British observer. "If you'd called in Flynn on that Suez job of yours he'd have sorted that Anthony Eden out in no time and your General Nasser would still be King of Egypt till this very day."

London Express Service.



Daytime in the market of old Marrakesh is one long carnival. It is there that Sir Winston Churchill is on holiday

Untamed—that's life in Marx Bros. Land...

PEOPLE who go to the movies shouldn't travel. And vice versa. For those intrepid location-minded movie-makers have been everywhere now. So seductively have they bent plots around locale that no real life glimpse of the same topography ever measures up.

En route to Marrakesh by Super Constellation, I luddled glumly in the plane when it touched down at Algiers. I have certain cherished illusions about the Casbah being silken hung and redolent of love, Charles Boyer, and Hedy Lamarr. And I intend to keep those illusions.

But further on, in Tangier, I had to get off. The Moroccan police insist on a quick look at all visitors at actual point of entry in the country.

Once off, I made the fatal mistake of going into town. Thanks to the movies, it was familiar.

All too familiar. But where was Gone With the Wind? Doris Day? Maria Montez? Alec Guinness? Gone. Not a one in sight. And in their place only uttermost French business men, dusty Arabs, and hoarding shrieking in English, Arabic and French the delights of le Coca Cola bien place.

In Casablanca I had to get off again. The brand-winged Soup-Air was too grand for these parts. It would return to Paris.

We would go on to Marrakesh in a Dakota. But it would not be ready for a day. Once again I had to face the disillusionment of braving a town whose idealised profile I already knew from the movies.

by
**DEE
WELLS**



There is no confusion about what to drink It's mint tea the whole day.

This gravely semolina is to Morocco what rice is to Asians, or pasta to Italians. The unrelievedly poor eat it straight. The middling poor have it with cooked vegetables. The middling rich have it with mutton, vegetables and cooked grapes. The super rich have it the way the rich have it, but they have it after a delicious first course of chicken cooked with pickled lemon. Whatever you are, rich, poor, or middling, you have it every day.

I had it the super rich way. With an Arab escort I sat in splendour on a deep-upholstered low sofa covered with silky antelope hides and velvet cushions.

Pantalooned serving girls brought soap, hot water and towels for an interlude of indulgent hand-washing. Then, on a low round table, they placed big central bowls of food.

HEAVENLY

First came the whole chicken that had to be torn apart and eaten with fingers. Then more hand-washing and the mammoth, mountainous bowl of cous-cous. Also to be eaten with the fingers, and about as manageable as flour-and-water paste.

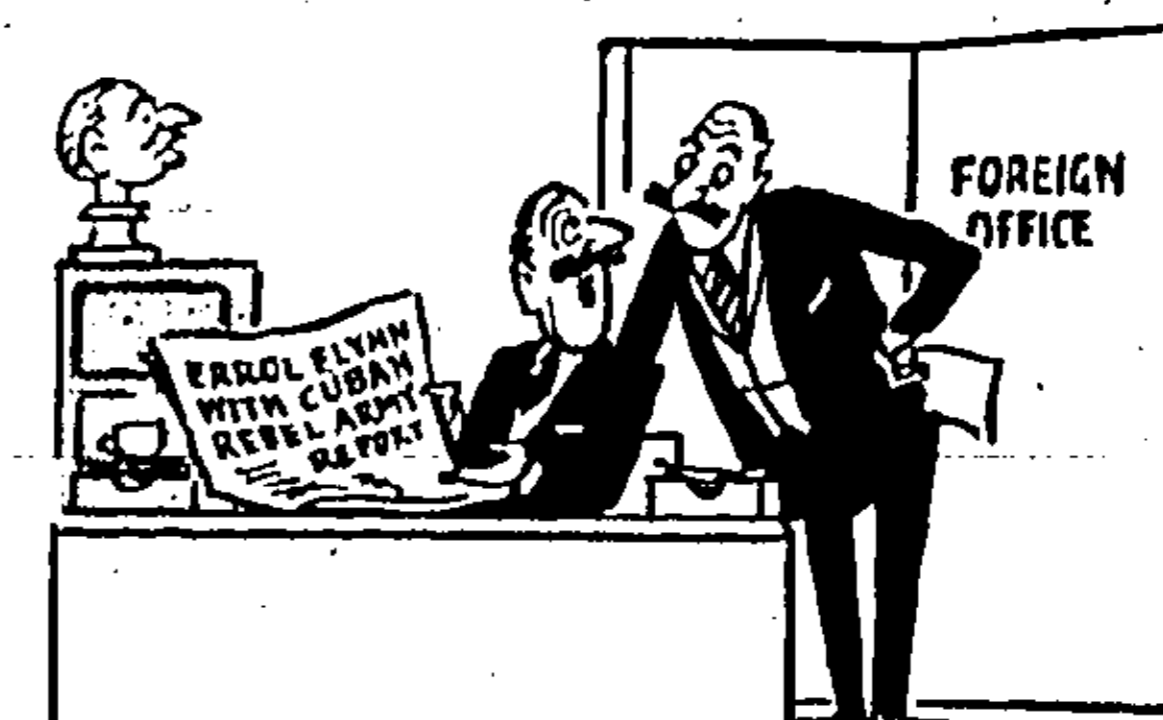
Then a heavenly sweet of crisp, almond flavoured cakes,

even more rich and crumbly than shortbread. As Arabs are teetotal, there is no confusion about what to drink. It's mint tea steadily the whole day through. With meals, before meals, after meals, between meals. Any time. Made by crushing a good-sized clump of mint into hot, freshly made tea and then lacing the whole generously with sugar. (The teetotal rule, of course, applies only in the Arab quarter. If you go into the French part of the town you can drink anything you want.)

WHISTLES IN

Like the Arabs' diabolical that serve the twofold purpose of insulating them against the day's heat and keeping out the evening's cold, mint tea is perfectly suited to the schizoid climate of Marrakesh. In the daytime it's cooling. In the evening it's warming. All those fanciful travellers' tales of how cold it gets in the desert when the sun goes down are true. By day it's cotton dresses and August heat. But once the sun disappears—and it disappears with tropical suddenness—the wind whistles in from the snow fields, the Arabs put their hoods up, and even the most habitually alcoholic tourist gratefully gulps his hot mint tea.

Selection by Friell



"You realize this exonerates our man in Havana for backing Batista. He didn't know Flynn was on the other side."



"He says he'd like to make a tour of our cities and visit California for a spot of his sun."

The Man Who STOPPED Jumps In The Lake

by FERGUS CASHIN*

SUDDENLY, after only two weeks on my non-smoking-non-anything water wagon, I woke early one day at an hour kept strictly for the birds, and decided I was a negative man.

Like some suicidal masochist I there and then decided that I had to do something terribly extreme and positive.

Why extreme? Because many people, judging by the letters I am receiving, think I am lily-livered, thin-blooded, a cheat and a fraud.

They cannot understand why a man, even for a very short period of time, should give up everything in life that he enjoys.

One reader suggested that "I go jump in the lake."

I took him at his word.

A ROAR—

The Serpentine at Hyde Park seemed the best place, and when I arrived 10 swimmers had already been and gone, leaving only their naked footprints in the snow.

At Richardson, the keeper, red-faced and healthy and winner of the 1957 Christmas Day swim, nodded approval as I stripped.

I creaked sinisterly in a boat across the lake. For a petrified moment I wondered at my madness and then, with a roar like a harpooned bull elephant, I plunged lung-frozen into the green-grey duckless ice.

In a catch-a-breath wild frenzy of striking panic I thrashed madly through the fishless, 32-degrees water; gashed my shins, six inches on the ice; and wet-footed it across the snow screaming and jerking and clutching.

IT WAS MY FIRST DIP OF THE SEASON.

And quite honestly I enjoyed it (five minutes afterwards).

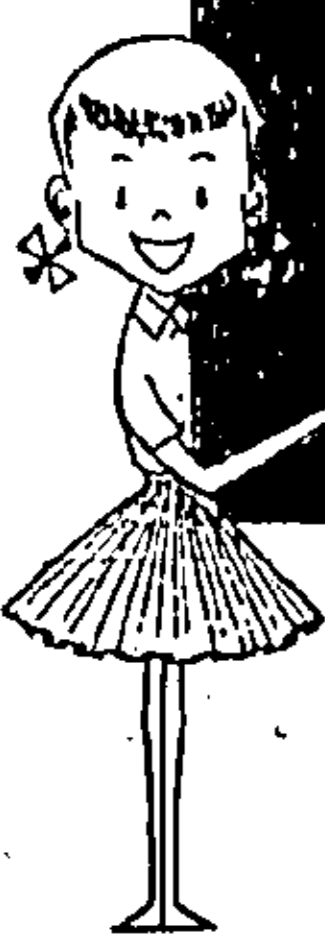
SO LOOPY

Perhaps I am wearing a lunatic fringe on top. But I am certainly getting a better understanding of these quaint near-to-the-fairies people who are completely out of step, and completely positive.

They are of course quite loopy to the normal-hollow-eyed-stay-in-bed-hug-my-hot-water-bottle-of-rum-my-turn-society. But no matter how much we laugh at them, they are POSITIVE people who do discipline themselves to DO things.

★ WHY HE STOPPED. Fergus Cashin wanted to find out what is really left in life when you discard backslapping and fripperies. He's now in the third week of a six-week experiment of life without smoking, drinking, radio, television, theatre, cinema, a car, and meat.

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HONEYCOMBED

Pure Marx. But no Groucho. No Harpo. Not even Peter Lorre. Marrakesh itself is, as the Arabs say, une autre chose. No movie ghost to exercise there. The ancient capital of southern Morocco has yet to have the pleasure of being blown up double-life-size on celluloid.

Not that Marrakesh isn't photogenic. It most certainly is. With the snow-covered Atlas Mountains as a backdrop, Marrakesh—both ancient and modern—nestles cozily in its bright green palm oasis. Beyond the fringe of the oasis, the sunny, tawny desert stretches to the horizon, broken only by the mauve mountains.

UNNAMABLE

There are two Marrakeshes. The old one inside the walls and the French quarter outside. Like an illustration from the Arabian Nights the old sector is honeycombed with souks and twisty alleyways, its low-built skyline dominated by the tower of the Koutoubiya mosque.

Divided from all this by the venerable wall, the new Marrakesh is aseptically clean and looks like any Provencal town.

In the French section, sidewalk cafes that couldn't be anything but French edge the wide boulevards and swallow in

the thin shade of carefully irrigated orange, lemon, and olive trees.

Old Marrakesh is a tourist-promoter's dream. Inside its walls is the Xanadu-like Mamounia hotel. And near by is the central market square, the Place Djema-el-Fina, where eventually all caravans and all tourists wind up.

A perpetual carnival, it is here that wandering musicians perform on tambourines, cymbals and strange unnamable stringed instruments. Dancers, still-walkers, fortune tellers, magicians, and grotesque beggars all collect their circles of admirers.

SO WILLING

There used to be snake charmers too. The fact that most snake charmers were sooner or later bitten and killed by their harassed charges was ignored. But the day a snake bit and killed a tourist was the day the authorities clamped down. Dead tourists are a bad advertisement for a budding tourist trade. There would be no more snakes.

But, of course, there are snakes. Evidently, they are carted about in gunnysacks hidden in the folds of enveloping djellabaha, and the tourists no longer have to go to the snakes, for the snake charmers are all too willing to go to the tourists.

I went off to dine Arab-style at the fabulous Dar-es-Salaam. This, a palace that was once complete with harem, lies deep in the Casbah converted into a de luxe tourist restaurant.

Arab food must be an acquired taste. Perhaps I didn't stay long enough to acquire it. Not at any rate for the staple, cous-cous.

WOMANSENSE

Maraschino Cherries Join Coconut In Pies

PIES are delicious any time—but traditionally a favourite in the holiday season. This is especially true when they are made of such seasonal delights as pumpkin and cranberry, with, perhaps, some extra touches.

To make a 10-in. Cherry Pumpkin Chiffon Pie, soften 1 tsp. unflavoured gelatin in 1/4 c. cold water.

CHERRY PUMPKIN PIE

Separate 2 eggs; combine yolks and 1 c. evaporated milk; beat until blended. Add 1/2 c. pumpkin, 1/2 c. sugar (taken from 3/4 c. firmly-packed brown sugar), 1/2 tsp. salt, 1/2 tsp. each nutmeg and cinnamon and 1/4 tsp. allspice.

Cook over hot water 10 min., stirring occasionally.

Add gelatin mixture and stir until gelatin is dissolved. Chill until slightly thickened.

Beat 2 egg whites until stiff but not dry. Gradually add remaining 1/4 c. sugar, 1/2 tsp. at a time, beating constantly until stiff.

Fold egg white mixture, 1/2 c. chopped maraschino cherries, drained, and 3/4 c. toasted flaked coconut into pumpkin mixture. Turn into 10-in. baked pastry shell. Chill until firm.

Top with 1 c. heavy cream, whipped, and 1/4 c. toasted flaked coconut. Garnish with additional cherries as desired.

—Alice Denhoff

JACOBY on BRIDGE

HARD LUCK JOE opened the defence of spades. South won in dummy and led a diamond to his king. His next play was a small club and Joe played the ten.

Dummy's two high diamonds were taken next and a spade discarded. Then South led on other spade and ruffed in his own hand.

Joe overruled with the jack, took his ace of trumps and rather than lead the ace of hearts played his last diamond. South discarded a heart from dummy and ruffed in his own hand.

Now South played the nine of hearts and Joe was in with the ten. He led his ace of hearts and dummy ruffed. Now South ruffed a spade; cashed the king

NORTH 11		EAST (D)	
♠ A J 5		♠ K Q 7 4 3	
♥ A 3		♥ 8 2	
♦ A 2		♦ 9 8 4 3	
♣ K 9 5		♣ A	
SOUTH		WEST	
♠ 10 8		♠ 2	
♥ K 7 5		♥ A Q J 10 6	
♦ K 5		♦ J 10 7 5	
♣ Q 8 7 3 2		♣ A J 10	
North and South vulnerable		East South West North	
Pass	Pass	1 ♠	Double
2 ♠	2 ♠	2 ♠	3 ♠
3 ♠	4 ♠	Double	Pass
Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—4 ♠			

of hearts; ruffed his last heart and made game and rubber.

"Doggone!" said Hard Luck Joe. "I sure thought I was going to get that one."

"Anyone else would have," said East.

Can you see where Joe made his usual fatal mistake? It was at trick six when he overruled South. If Joe had simply discarded a heart South would have been unable to make the hand and the rubber would still be going on.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

BORN today you are a dynamo of efficiency: quiet, calm and dependable. What you may not know is that you will do no matter the cost to yourself. There may be complications and frustrations in your life, which seem to be of your own making, but you overcome them and progress toward your goal. Although you are capable of planning big projects, you are willing to do some of the hard work yourself. You are never one to demand of others what you are not willing to perform yourself.

You are emotional and romantic, although self-discipline may have knocked a great deal of this out of your nature. You have reached middle life. Your list of sins are strong and you will do anything for these you love.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—A fine business day, so make the best of it and achieve a significant profit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Attend an interesting lecture this evening. Learn something while being amused.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Deal with neighbours and help to solve a problem that has been perplexing all of you.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—It's feeling a little under the weather, so for your regular physical check-up. A good day for it.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Do not let your job require manual dexterity. This is the right time for you to accomplish details.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Write a letter that may have been owing for some time. Find exactly the right words to use!

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—If your business is advertising, it should be good day for your efforts to exploit a product.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—If planning a trip later this winter, this is a good day to make your reservations.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—If your job calls for writing, get a lot of work done today. Give the words should come easily.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Pay a visit to someone who lives a short distance away. Drive out by car and enjoy yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—A good day for signing contracts or agreements. Just be sure to read all the small print.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Your efforts to accomplish something important. For it's the best time of the week for you.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Dress my hair up high—so I'll have that majestic look!"

Dads Of Unwed Girls Unite In Italy

Turin, Italy. ONE of Cupid's most unusual gambits is the "Pink Bows Association," which tries to button down some beaus for Italy's unmarried women.

Members of the association are all Italian fathers with unmarried daughters. They have banded together in a movement to save the girls from possible spinsterhood in communities throughout Italy where the females dominate the population. A lawfully registered organization, the "Pink Bows Association" is made up of about 50 independent clubs. The movement began in the Canavese District north of Turin several years ago but no one can remember who originated the idea.

"We are not a secret society," said a member who wore a pink bow lapel-button signifying that he was the father of two unmarried daughters. "But we feel that publicity may be a little embarrassing both for our daughters and for some of the shy young men who seek our help."

Each club has different projects to aid the unmarried girls. At the country town of Rivarolo, two or three dances and quiet home gatherings are held each month. Other clubs teach young girls how to "mix" naturally and correctly with men their own age. As far as can be learned, most of the clubs have between 40 to 100 fathers as members.

The latest "Pink Bows Association" branch was formed at La Cassa, about 20 miles north of Turin, where some 200 single women can be found among the population of 1,000. The 35 club members have more than 100 unmarried daughters, but since the formation of the club last November, three girls have married.

The La Cassa "Pink Bow" club meets every Sunday to discuss problems. Two projects come in for special attention: A fund for providing La Cassa girls with a small pension if they are not married at a certain age, still undetermined. The other project is a still-hazy publicity

programme that would advertise the plight of La Cassa's most wonderful unmarried girls in a dignified manner. The publicity would, however, refer to La Cassa girls as, "the most wonderful wives and the best mothers."

The club members also favour a small tax on mature bachelors to help pay for the spinster pension fund. But this plan has become stuck on one point: "At what age can a single man be considered to be a mature bachelor?"

Hildegard Tells How Star Keeps Beautiful



WANT TO BE glamorous as chic chanteuse Hildegard? Then make a vow to follow all beauty routines faithfully!

By JEANNE D'ARCY

THE incomparable Hildegard is, when it comes to beauty, interview, incomparable. The chic chanteuse doesn't hedge, but frankly admits glamour means constant care and plenty of beauty work.

SHE CAN DO IT

Mention her slim, svelte figure and she confesses: "I exercise every morning."

When I first got up, I do maybe 20 to 30 toe-touching routines."

And to prove the point, she stands up, stretches hands over her head and touches her toes—no mean feat when you're wearing 3-inch heels.

"I walk, too," says Hildegard. "I never take a taxi. I walk everywhere. It's good for the figure and it's healthy."

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Circus Is Here

—And The Whole Town Is Happy—

By MAX TRELL

EVERYONE in the whole house heard it! Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-Around Name, heard it first. He told his sister Hanid. Hanid told Mary Jane, the Rag Doll.

Mary Jane told Mr Punch, the Puppet, Mr Punch told his wife, Judy, and Judy told it to General Tin, the Tin Soldier.

The Tin Soldier told it to Teddy, the Stuffed Bear, who told it to Whoo, the Hobbyhorse, who told it to the Canary, who told it to Mrs Cuckoo, who told it to the Parrot who lived in an enormous grey cage in the window of the house across the way.

Parrot Screamed

And when she heard about it, the Parrot screamed out: "It's here! The circus has come to town!"



Teddy shouted as the Elephant came in sight.

If you'll not say: How could his neck have got that way?"

Then the zebras came. Mr Punch made up a poem:

"Whenever I see a zebra, I never know I'm right. I'm never sure they're white on black, Or are they black on white."

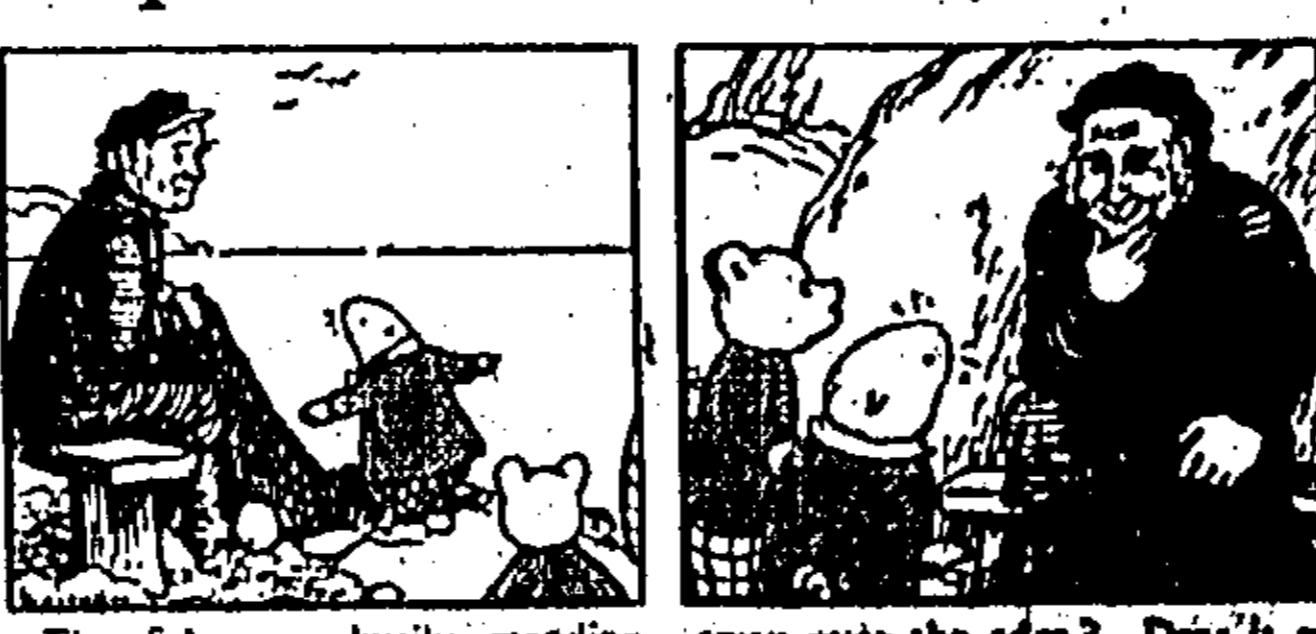
Finally, at the end of the parade came the clowns, riding on donkeys. As they passed by, everyone at the window shouted:

"The circus comes to all the towns! Hurrah for the animals! Hurrah for the clowns!"

Down the street went the circus and around the corner and into the big tent.

And all through the morning, the lions roared, the elephants trumpeted, the monkeys chattered, the clowns laughed—and everyone in the whole town was happy.

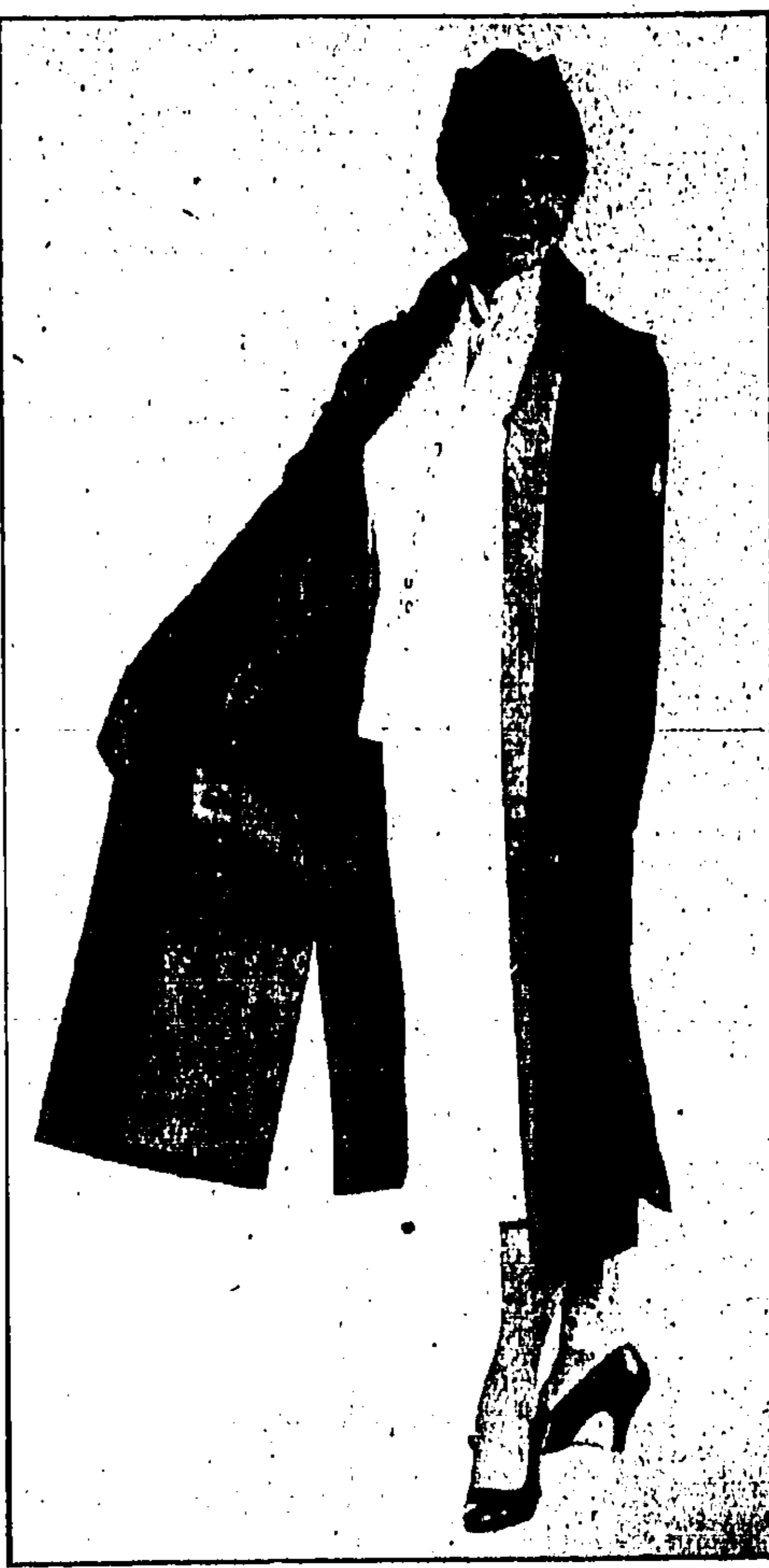
Rupert and the Secret Boat—9



The fisherman busily mending his net is much surprised at the appearance of the little guinea-pig. Please, do you live here? asks Gregory before Rupert can stop him. Where does all this seawater come from? What's it doing? Why doesn't it all run away over the edge? Does it go up and down as Rupert says? The man goes in delight at his small questioner. Well, well, nobody has ever asked me lovely things like that, he grins. Wait a minute while I think what to tell you.

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New Mandarin Overcoat



Comment on her smooth-silk, clear, unlined complexion and the singer, who began climbing to fame back in 1933, admits her complexion gets plenty of pampering.

50 MINUTES A DAY

"I have a 50-minute complexion treatment every day to combat dryness and pep up circulation," she says. "And I never, NEVER would think of going to bed without cleansing and creaming my face."

She's emphatic about the importance of complexion care.

"After all," says Hildegard, "your face is the first thing people see. It has to look good!"

When you mention her radiant smile, what's the response?

TEETH GET CARE

"Tooth care," says Hildegard, "I confess that I only brush teeth twice a day, morning and night, but I use a mouthwash after meals and, after my nighttime brushing, I apply dental floss between the teeth."

How does she manage to look so chic when her life is a series of cross-country and European tours to fulfill singing engagements?

"I travel with a six-foot trunk for evening gowns," says Hildegard, "and two other trunks for clothes and lingerie, plus 27 pieces of baggage for shoes, hats, accessories and other items."

HER TRADEMARKS

These other items include a wide selection of two articles, both Hildegard trademarks: long jersey gloves—each pair is especially dyed to go with an evening gown and dainty handkerchiefs. When the night club star sings for an audience, a lacey hankie is a prop she always has in hand.

"It's more than a prop," admits Hildegard. "Oh, of course, it looks feminine and pretty. But its real purpose is to give me a chance to dab daintily at my brow. Those spotlights are awfully hot!"

British Overseas Airways Corporation have recently introduced mandarin overcoats for their Chinese stewardesses.

Following the traditionally mandarin cut, the smart overcoat is made with shower-proof barthez material lined with scarlet which shows

colourfully on a breezy airport. It is also fitted with a quilted inter-lining which can be zipped in as required in order to be adaptable to rapid and severe changes of temperature. The model in this photograph is Miss Theresa Kwa who has been flying for three years.

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South China 3, Army 2 IT WAS TOUCH AND GO

Woodcock's Fatal Slip Gave South China Senior Shield Victory

By I. M. MACTAVISH

South China are through to the next round of the Senior Shield. Before some 17,000 spectators at the Hongkong Stadium yesterday they beat the Army by three goals to two . . . but once again their victory was as precarious as any victory could be and the soldiers would not have been flattered had they earned the right of a replay . . . they might quite easily have won.

The real tragedy of this game, however, was in the grandstand where Holland, the Army's star centre-forward, must have squirmed and sweated in his injury enforced inactivity. If he had been out in the middle his perpetual probing would have worried the heart out of the rocking, tottering South China defence in a way that the more cultured but less ebullient Hutchinson never succeeded in doing.

The Army made enough chances for themselves to have scored a clearcut victory but the front line artillery lacked the firing ability to match that with which they could carry the attack upfield, infiltrate their way through the South China defence as far as the eighteen yards line, and control the middle of the field.

Will Long Wonder

The soldiers will long wonder about South China's goal which finally sealed the issue and I'm sure Woodcock will give himself many a private kick-in-the-pants when he recalls the situation which led up to Yiu Cheuk-yin's winner.

It happened like this. South China launched an attack on the right wing. The ball was lifted into the Army's penalty area and a private kick-in-the-pants was given to Mok Chiu-wah who was waiting. Woodcock spotted the danger and went in pursuit of the ball. But for once his tackle was a poor one. Mok retained possession and swept the ball towards goal.

Picture Of Misery Woodcock looked the picture of misery. It was a pity, the Army skipper had played a great role in subsidizing the South China forward line.

From an Army point of view the man of the match was Holliday who worked like a Trojan from start to finish. The right-half showed astonishing energy and with Woodcock and Whelan made up a very formidable middle line.

Running him close for honours was Davies at right-back. His extremely tight tackling and his intelligent distribution of the ball stamped him the best full-back on the field.

Goalkeeper Green had a good game and while many may say that he had no chance of saving goals that went in, I cannot forget that he was still rooted to the goal line when the first and second goals were scored. In both cases he might have stood a better chance of saving if he had quickly advanced into position for the quick forward pass which didn't come. Three times in succession he pushed the ball inside and hared down the line clear of the full-back only to see first Nellany and then Coward rush headlong with the ball into a cluster of South China defenders rather than make the very obvious and profitable pass back to the unmarked winger.

Coward, big and strong, certainly did not let the slide down and he was always ready to have a bang at goal. Hutchinson was never a real threat in the centre-forward position and it was surprising that he permitted himself to be the better end of a switch which had worked wonders. Hutchinson has already shown that he is a better than average

inside-forward while Coward's greater strength and tenacity might have given Lau Yee lots more to think about.

The big disappointment in the Army side, however, was Eyres at outside-right. The blonde winger brought a gasp from the crowd in the fourth minute with a great cross shot which had Lau Kin-chung in Queer Street . . . but that was his last major contribution.

This boy has a wealth of football talent but we saw it only in the briefest flashes and I lost count of the number of times he was very correctly penalized for trivial and careless infringements when going for the ball in the tackle.

A couple of weeks ago, I said that the present South China team was the poorest to wear the famous colours in the post-war years and, except in a few individual cases, they did nothing yesterday to make me change one word of that statement. In fact, generally speaking, they did much to confirm my previous opinion.

Lau Kin-chung had a quick, efficient goal in goal but although Kwok Kuan-hung finally subdued Eyres neither he nor Lau Chi-ping will look back on this as one of their better games.

The Real Worry The real worry in the side, however, was again at wing-half and the ease with which Coward and Nellany worked their way into the champions' penalty area merely underlined this fact in the most practical way. Lau Yee was once more no better than very ordinary.

The South China forward line was a partially rejuvenated Yiu Cheuk-yin and precious little else. Ho Cheung-yau is having a terrible season. In this game he was just a shadow of his former self.

The tide is fast running out for Lee Yui-tak and Mok Chiu-wah. The centre-forward had the ball no longer bugged and came off his passing in this game was atrocious. Mok Chiu-wah still has a few tricks up his sleeve and in his boots they are not succeeding with the regularity they used to do. The little winger knows it only too well and betrays it in his attitude to the game.

The game started in thrust and parry fashion with both teams feeling out the strength of the opposition and the first real thrill came after ten minutes when Eyres sent a grand cross shot sailing inches over the bar from a very narrow angle.

More Compact

There was very little between the sides but the fast hard tackling of Holliday and Whelan gave the Army a more compact appearance. The soldiers had a couple of good chances before they actually took the lead in the 20th minute from the penalty spot. Johnston cut into the centre of the field and sent a piledriver goalwards. The South China defence was in panic and Luk Mok-hay and Lau Yee went for the ball together but in their eagerness one of them handled. There was no doubt about it, the award had Johnston, who took the kick, nearly made a disastrous mess of it. He sent the ball too close to Lau Yee

cheung and the goalkeeper just failed to stop it crossing the line. Nevertheless the Army deserved their lead at this stage.

Ho Cheung-yau was badly out of touch but he started the move which led to South China's equaliser. His well directed through pass caught the soldiers' defence. Awol . . . and Yiu Cheuk-yin had an easy task to put the ball into the net.

Brilliant Move

This goal came in the 28th minute and four minutes later South China were in the lead. This time the goal came from a brilliant move reminiscent of the champions of a few years ago and, at the last moment, Lau Yui-tak unselfishly stood back to let the ball run to Mok Chiu-wah, who was better placed, to drive it into the net.

The teams turned round with the score sheet at 2-1 and the Army were just a bit unlucky to be behind . . . but they had almost scoring chances . . . so they had no complaint.

The second half was only 11 minutes old when the Army's spirits went soaring to the heights. Kwok Kuan-hung was penalized for a dangerous kick in the penalty area. Nellany sized up the situation to the far side of the six yards box and Whelan raced in to head a magnificent goal . . . but, where oh where were the South China defenders at that crucial moment?

The Winner

Four minutes later Yiu Cheuk-yin got the winner for the champions and from then until the end it was a desperate struggle with China trying all they knew to snatch another goal . . . and the Army striving just as desperately to force an equaliser. Near things there were but no further scoring took place.

VERDICT: A hard satisfying game played in a spirit that was a credit to both sides. In knock-out football the margin of error is very narrow and within that margin South China were as lucky as we win as the Army were unlucky to lose.

Finally, a special commendation, for referee Lytle and his two linesmen for the 'best team' display of match control we have seen in a long time. Mr. Lytle's personal performance with the whistle was again immaculate without over being dictatorial.

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Dreams Ended

Wall was leading by three strokes going into the 17th, but took a bogey four while Litter knocked in a putt for a birdie to cut the margin to one stroke. But on the long 18th at Pebble Beach, which has crushed the hopes of many a would-be champion, Litter pulled his second shot down into the Pacific Ocean and the two-stroke penalty ended his dreams of a great come-from-behind victory.

Litter finished with a 281 total after taking a 71 today, that tied him with Jimmy Demaret, the old-timer from Texas, who had a final 73 for 281.

Tied at 283 were John McMillin, young pro from Alameda, California, with a 71 today, and Bob Rosburg, with a 72.

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THE WINNING GOAL FOR SOUTH CHINA BUT A NIGHTMARE FOR WOODCOCK: Yiu Cheuk-yin driving in South China's winning goal after snapping a pass from Mok Chiu-wah in an open gap left vacant by Army skipper Woodcock who had gone out to tackle Mok.—China Mail photo.

Patterson Versus Johansson Fight Now Likely

Stockholm, Jan. 18. Plans for a World heavyweight boxing title fight between America's holder Floyd Patterson and Sweden's European champion Ingemar Johansson started to take a definite shape when it was announced today that Johansson's adviser Eddie Ahlquist had left by air for New York for yet another meeting with Gus D'Amato, the world champion's manager.

Before leaving, Ahlquist told the chance of a title fight between Patterson and Johansson had been "fifty-fifty."

"But now that D'Amato has called me over, the chances of the fight coming off are now the closest they have ever been," added Ahlquist.

Johansson, who is waiting in Stockholm for a cable from New York telling him to fly over, said: "I will not take a plane to New York unless I am assured that a title fight against Patterson has been fixed."

Johansson expects to get the cable by Tuesday "at the latest."—France-Press.

Art Wall Wins Bing Crosby National Pro-Amateur Golf

Pebble Beach, Calif., Jan. 18. Art Wall, a pro from Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania, fought off a gallant stretch bid by Gene Littler today and went on to win top money in the \$50,000 Bing Crosby national pro-amateur golf tournament.

Wall, who started the final round with a sizzling putter that knocked in birdies on the first three holes to up his lead over the field to seven strokes, finally ended the day with a card of 75 and a 72-hole total of 277.

That was two strokes ahead of Littler, the former national amateur king, who had started the day trailing Wall by six strokes.

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World's Greatest Car and Driver Reliability Test

The Monte Carlo Rally Starts From Stockholm, Warsaw And Glasgow

London, Jan. 18.

A quick taste of the difficulties which make the Monte Carlo rally the world's greatest test of the reliability of car and driver faced some of the teams who set out today (Sunday) in the hazardous 2,000-mile event.

The twenty-two starters from Stockholm left in a temperature of 13 degrees below freezing point Fahrenheit (minus seven degrees Centigrade), and slippery roads and snow were forecast ahead of them on their day-and-night drive to Monte Carlo on the warm Mediterranean.

Treacherous

Roads in Belgium along which cars from the Hague will be passing tonight were expected to be treacherous. Cars leaving Rome faced a threat of snow on the higher ground along their route.

A total of 186 cars set out from Stockholm, Warsaw and Glasgow. Later starters from the Hague, Lisbon, Rome, Athens, Munich and Paris were expected to bring the total to more than 300.

The nine streams of cars eventually link up on Wednesday at Chembrey, then follow a common route of 305 miles south to Monte Carlo. Even if they have encountered snow and weathered the hazards of snow, ice and fog on the way to Chembrey, the final leg through the Alps can bring new terrors for the weary drivers.

Through all difficulties the teams have to stick to average speeds laid down for them, and clock in at the many control points on time. Otherwise they lose marks. Points also lost for damage to a car on the journey.

Regularity Test

A few hours after arriving in Monte Carlo, crews have to set off again on a 207-mile regularity test by night.

In Stockholm, language difficulties and lack of signposting led to some confusion at the start this afternoon.

Some crews drove up the wrong approach, and after much argument and gesticulation the drivers had to back out and drive at top speed round a crowded block to take their place in the queue. Eventually all 80 got away on time.

Alexander Mazurek, a Polish driver who has been competing in rallies for 30 years, led the 22 starters from Warsaw, which is a departure point for the rally this year for the first time.

Famous French Trio

A big crowd turned out to watch the cars leave from Warsaw's snow-covered, flooded victory square. They set out over slushy streets, but roads ahead in Poland were reported clear.

No immediate difficulties were forecast for the 43 starters from Lisbon, who included a trio of well-known French drivers—Alex Gacen, runner-up last year, Mme Madeleine Blanchoud, winner of the Ladies' Cup in 1956 and 1957.

Mediterranean To Cape Rally

Tamanrasset, Jan. 18.

Car drivers competing in the gruelling Mediterranean to Cape rally were on the last stretch of the desert route between Tamanrasset and Ingezzam here today.

Soon they will cross the frontier of Nigeria.

The jungle routes now lie ahead.—France-Press.

YESTERDAY'S HOCKEY

Recreio "A" Back In Running For Senior Title With 5-1 Win Over IRC

By TONY MYATT

Recreio 'A' played themselves into the running for the senior Hockey League title when they beat Indian Recreation Club 'A' by five goals to one at Sookumpoo yesterday.

There was never any doubt as to who were the masters in this encounter. The Portuguese dominated play from start to finish and their forward line split the IRC defence wide open with some fine moves down the wings.

IRC showed flashes of retaliation at various stages during the game but their forwards missed several scoring chances by bunching too much when nearing the opposing goal.

The Recreio defence played brilliantly yesterday, especially during the second half when they had the IRC forwards covered from every angle. Noseno Silva, playing centre-half for the Portuguese was in top form and moved up to keep his forwards well fed. His stopping and hitting were also worthy of high praise.

Recreio's fast moving forward line, comprising wingers Lionel Gutierrez (left), Joachin Colaco (right), inside forwards Alberto Almeida (left) and Alvaro Alonzo (right) and Danny Castro at centre-forward, combined with clockwork precision.

Triad Hard

The inside forwards and the wingers seemed to have a fine understanding of one another and their inter-changing play left big holes in the IRC defence which Castro and company exploited to the full.

For the IRC little can be said of their forwards except that they tried hard but lack finesse.

Their defence played an unimpressive game but proved too slow on the turn to catch the Recreio forwards. Kadri should be singled out for special mention, for another fine performance between the posts.

Late in the first half, Almeida scored Recreio's first goal when he snapped up a pass from Colaco on the right wing.

Scored At Will

After the interval, Recreio literally scored at will. Lionel Gutierrez scored two more goals with the second period still in its early stages to push Recreio to a three goal advantage.

Bosco Silva took a pass from the right wing in the air and slammed in the fourth.

IRC tried hard to reduce the arrears and were rewarded not long before the end when right-winger Samy scored with a lone effort down the right side of the field. Recreio retaliated almost immediately, however, when Alberto Almeida flashed through on his own to net the Portuguese team's fifth and last goal.

Three FA Cup Ties Postponed

London, Jan. 18.

Three of the seven third round English Football Association Cup ties scheduled for tomorrow have been postponed, it was announced today.

The postponed fixtures are: Middlesbrough versus Birmingham, Manchester City versus Grimsby Town and Peterborough United versus Epsom.

After an inspection this morning of the Sheffield pitch where Sheffield Wednesday were due to meet West Bromwich Albion tomorrow, a referee postponed the final decision for 24 hours.

The match was said to be "very doubtful."

Postponed Cup matches might be played next Saturday, but this will not be definitely known until Football Association and Football League representatives meet tomorrow to discuss the fixture list, which is now in a chaotic state, Reuters.

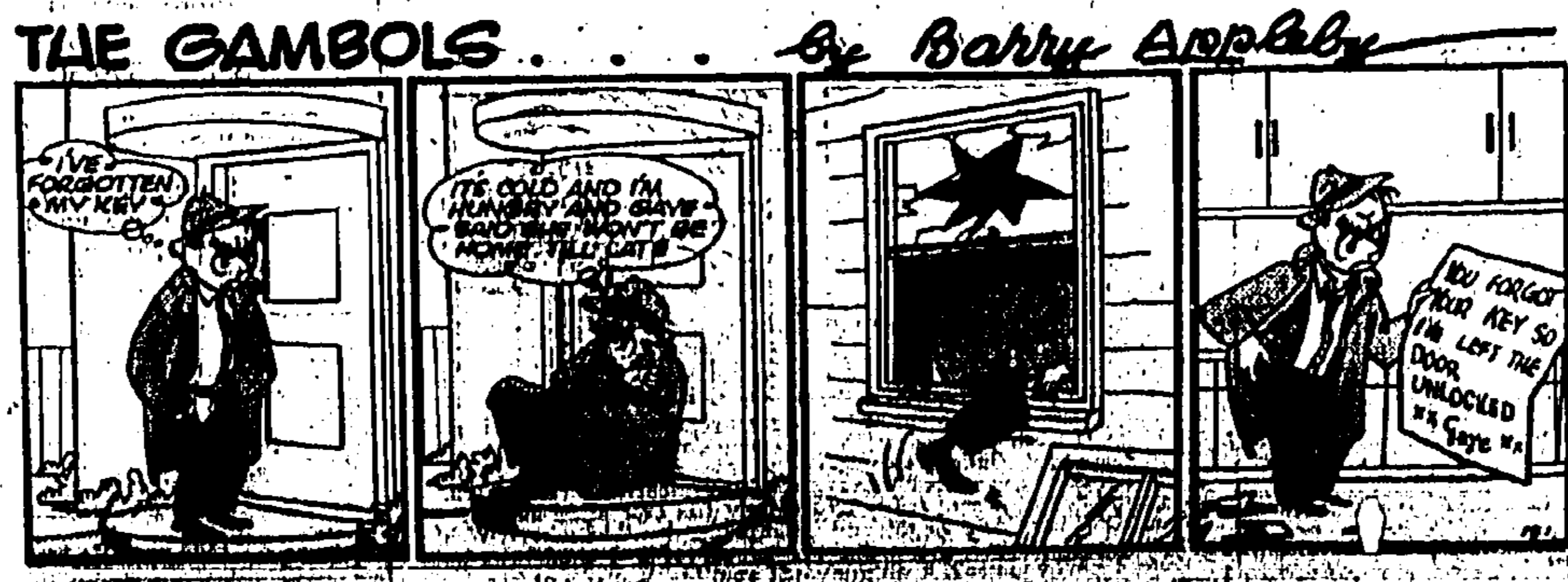
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Army North Maintain Rugby Lead

FIGHTING RAF XV BOW OUT TO HEXANGULAR LEADERS BY 9-3

By PAK LO

Army South looked a different team on Saturday afternoon and with their pack in the ascendancy against the weakened Navy side won comfortably by 19 points (two goals, one try, two penalty goals) to six (two penalty goals).

A fighting RAF XV, with their forwards playing a wonderful game, were earlier on in the day narrowly beaten by Army North by nine points (one try, two penalty goals) to three (one penalty goal).

At Kai Tak, Club "B" playing with only 14 men, but with three players from the "A" XV, had little trouble in subduing RAF "B" by 23 points (one goal, six tries) to nil in an open game.

This evening there are two matches arranged. One of them is the postponed Club "A" Police game which starts at 7 p.m. while at 8 p.m. the Sappers take on "Wayfong." Both of these games will be on the Club ground under the floodlights.

The Police with Blach missing due to injuries have a newcomer, Keil at scrum-half in front of Johnston. Keil is actually a hooker but the Police already have a first class hooker in Cunningham.

Newcomer

The Club with their good pack, now greatly improved since Miller has returned, and their excellent halves and three should have little trouble in winning this game for they should prove superior in all departments.

In the minor match, Wayfong have had to borrow a couple of players from Club "B" to make up their number, but all too many of their players are in need of practice, and they have little hope of winning against the Sappers whose forwards are led by Winn. The Sappers should have a convincing victory.

RAF v. Army North

For once Army North were forced, in the first half particularly, to open up the game, for Stear was holding Winn. When Stear was looking through the lineouts and hammering Phillips, while the two RAF wing forwards, Bird and Conway played magnificently, and Army North seldom looked good behind the scrum.

Army North's three started well but they were covered from the start and the RAF defence deserves full praise.

Off-Side Overlooked

The only try the Army scored started with Winn and Muntz well and truly "offside" but referee Dow did not see the incident and Army North scored.

The RAF attacked well but inclined to fumble a pass just at the wrong moment, and were not very good at picking up a loose ball at speed, while the Army defence with Leppard and Bede-Cox as the mainstays held firm. With Army North forced to play a partly open game the whole affair was a bit scrappy but interesting from a tactician's point of view for it showed that provided the forwards knew what to do, the Army North forwards can be contained.

After a few minutes with the almen attacking strongly, the Army were penalised for offside on their own 25 and Martin converted from in front of the posts 3-0.

Equalised

Play ranged back and fourth with the Army getting the worst of it and it was not until just before half time that an Army attack saw the almen penalised forty yards from the line and Bede-Cox equalised with a lovely kick from well out, 3-3.

In the second half the Army forwards used their weight to greater effect against the slightly built RAF forwards, and the RAF were penalised for offside on their own 25 and Bede-Cox put his team in the lead 6-3.

Near the end Leppard kicked for touch, and it was the RAF caught it. Leppard made no attempt to put his men on-side and Winn and Muntz who were offside only a few feet from the almen were on him before he could move, and Muntz took it the rest of the way to score in the corner. No conversion, 9-3.

Army South v. Navy

Army South fully deserved their win in this game, for their forwards took an equal share of the ball from the scrums and were definitely superior in the lineouts.

With this steady supply of the ball Army South after a little time gradually settled down and in the second half their three were moving well and never looked like losing control of the game.

They played a wide open game that was extremely attractive from a spectator's point of view and the Navy, though they fought back magnificently, did not have the three to equal the Army three.

Ragged

The Navy three's passing was ragged at times and the halves were not getting the ball cleanly away from the base of the scrum.

Watson opened the scoring with a conversion of a penalty awarded for obstruction, and the Navy were in the lead.

Army South pressed back and this time it was the Navy who were penalised on their own 25 for not putting the ball in straight and Sharp converted with ease, 3-3.

It was the Navy however, who led at half time after another penalty conversion by Watson made it 6-3.

In the second half Army South really went to town, and the Navy fumbled a headed ball on their own line and Mander racing through gathered and scored. Sharp converted, 8-6.

Five minutes later the Navy were caught in possession behind a five-yard scrum and Burdell got to the ball and dived over. Sharp again converted 13-6.

Finally a lovely break away brought the last try of the afternoon with Fitzgerald side-stepping through the defence for a good thirty yards to score in the corner. No conversion, 16-6. Sharp added the other three points with a penalty conversion in the closing minutes, 19-6.

Tonight's Teams

Following are the teams for tonight's games:

Club: Lochrie, Brown, McTavish, Addis, Mills, Valentine, Bennett, Whiteley, Williams, Howe, Newbould, Miller, Penman, Steven, Campbell.

Police: Dunn, McEwan, Bellingham, Scott, Hobbs, Johnston, Kiel, Shelly, Cunningham, Bryan, Newton, Counsel, Roberts, Ross, Haigh.

RE: Tellyn, Jenkins, O'Neill, Church, Jaye, Sanderson, Thompson, Cleary, Tunbridge, Morrison, Winn, Hoggard, Myers, Horton, Hill.

Wayfong: Cunningham, Holden-White, Laville, McLeckin, Hodge, Wingett, Steward, Thewles, Croucher, Hooper, Collinson, Barnes, Wells, Uttley, Leonard.

Now They Really Play For Money

Kramer Introduces New Set-Up For His Tennis Pros

New York, Jan. 18.

This could be the year professional tennis sheds its rompers and finally comes of age. Promoter Jack Kramer's new set-up for his grand American tour takes his show completely out of the exhibition class for the first time in history and his pros will be playing—as professionals should—for MONEY every single night. There'll be no more coast-to-coast "pennant races" to determine a winner.

One defeat could cost a player \$500 in two nights of play. Two losses in a row would cost him \$800 in three nights compared to his take if he kept on winning.

"That makes every match a money match," advises Kramer. "It was a long time coming, but we finally made it." Kramer's troupe for the 60-tour of the US and Canada, headed by defending champion Pancho Gonzales, will include Australians Lew Hoad, Ashley Cooper and Mal Anderson.

But instead of pitting the top pro (Gonzales) against the latest top amateur convert (Cooper), this will be the set-up:

There'll be \$1,500 at stake every night, in two singles matches. The winner of the preliminary match earns \$400.

the loser \$200. Winner of the feature match earns \$600, the loser \$300.

On the following night, or at the next stop, the two losers play the preliminary and the two winners clash in the feature.

Thus the pressure always is on the top player to keep winning the feature match at \$600 a crack.

Cash Angle

If he wins two straight feature matches, that's \$1,200 in the bank. If he loses the feature he gets \$300 and only \$400 if he wins the next preliminary—a "loss" of \$500 in two nights.

The new set-up puts a premium on the cash angle instead of what the pros have been trying to sell all these years—good tennis.

In addition, there'll be the usual year-end split of whatever bonus pool exists after four expenses and the \$90,000 in prize money is distributed.

On top of that will be several other major tournaments enabling non-tourists like Ken Rosewall, Frank Sedgman, Pancho Segura and Tony Trabert to grab a piece of the loot.

It's a long step toward maturity—U.P.I.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Bicycle Competition, Kai Tak range, 8.15 a.m. Boxing Championships (preliminary), Missions to Seamen, 3.30 p.m.

Rugby Police v. Club "A", Club ground, 7.15 p.m.

Week-End Of Softball Surprises DAVE COOPER LEADS AUSTERS TO 10-7 UPSET TRIUMPH OVER EAGLES WITH GRAND FAREWELL PERFORMANCE

By "TIME OUT"

Would anyone like to buy a slightly used crystal ball in good condition and going for a song? After the weekend softball games I am in the market for something much more reliable, for all predictions except one went completely awry.

To start it off, the out-of-towners from Pokfulam, the University softball team wrecked the Cardinals' chances for the Junior pennant by upsetting the Cards 26-6 in a curtailed game.

Nineteen U batters faced the Cardinals in the first inning and when the merry-go-round came to a stop the U had scored 15 runs. When it was all over the jubilant undergraduates' smiles were matched only by an ear-to-ear grin from coach Bill Silva. Good show, Bill!

As for the Cards it was a nightmare of 12 errors and 10 hits given up to the U. Then the Austers ganged up on the Eagles to give skipper Dave Cooper a grand farewell present when they upset the latter 10-7 in a tight Junior game.

The Comets continued on their winning streak in another close match, against the Diamonds. Dave Cooper for a great two-hit pitching job against the Eagles on Saturday.

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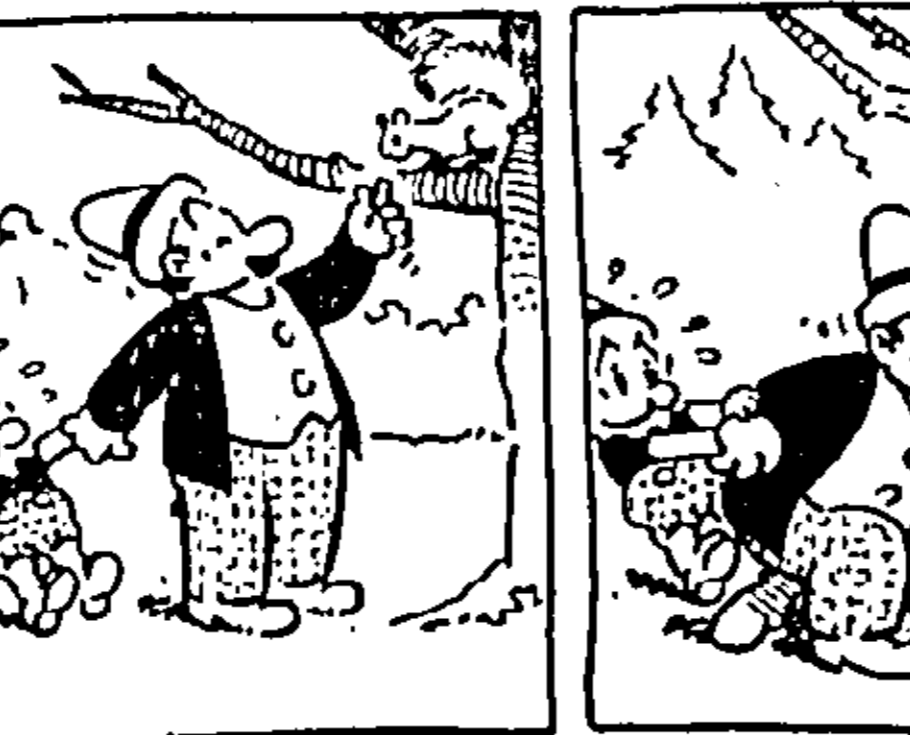
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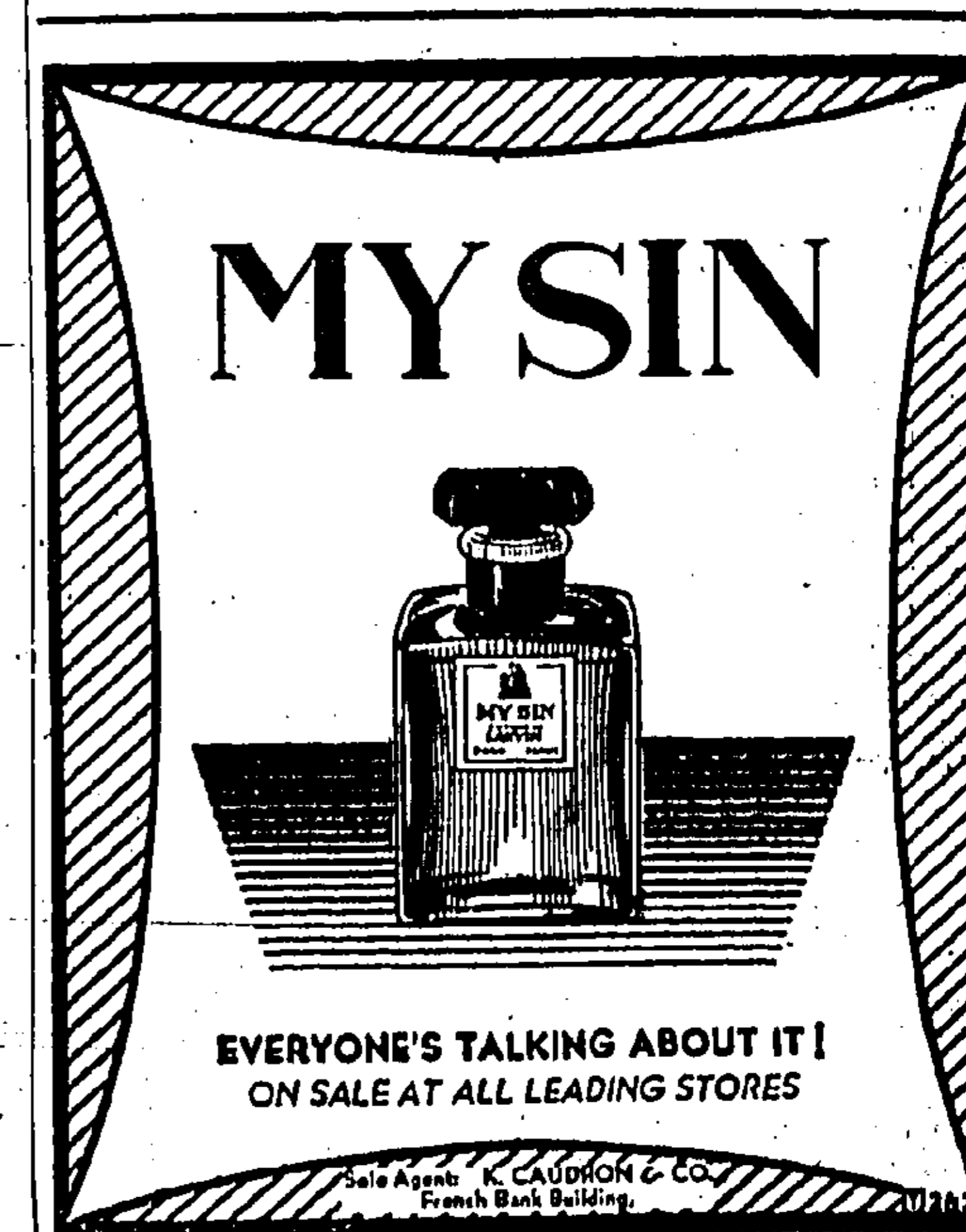
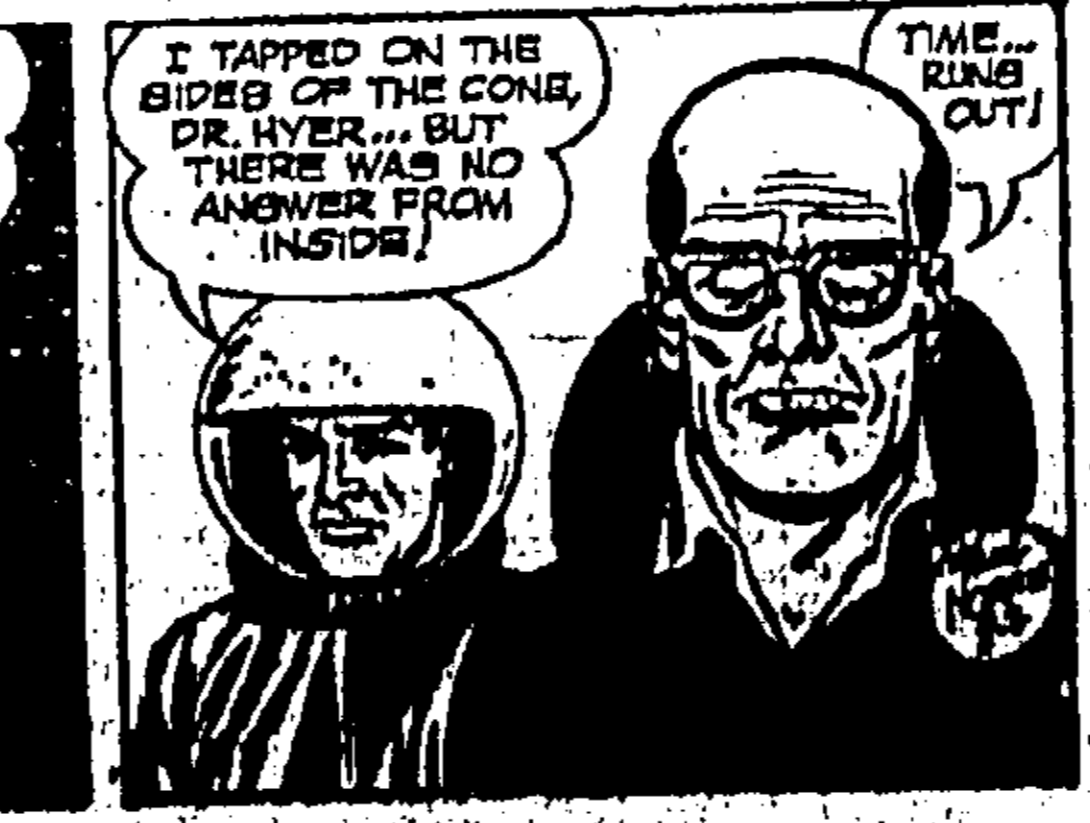
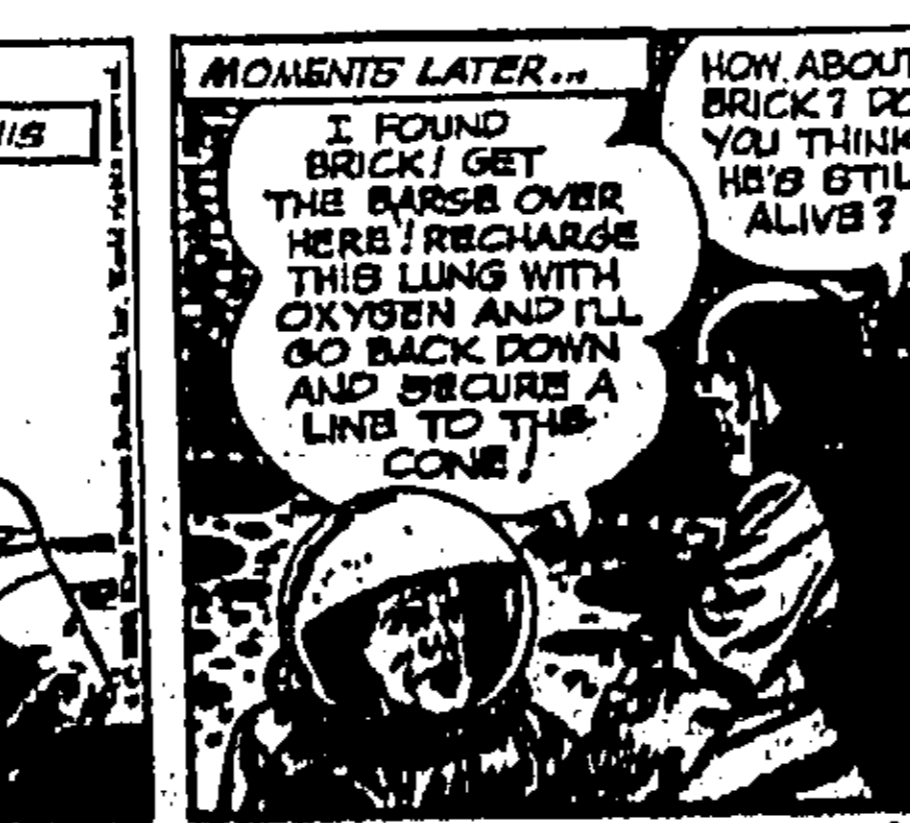
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SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

ROBOT TELEPHONE ANSWERS CALLS AND RECORDS MESSAGES

AUTOMATIC equipment being produced by a British company answers a telephone and records a callers message.

When a call is made to a telephone number to which the equipment is connected, there is a pause between ten and fifteen seconds in case the subscriber himself answers. If he does not do so there is an automatic answer instead by a pre-recorded announcement to the caller.

The recording mechanism then begins to operate so that if the caller wishes to leave a message the new equipment records it automatically.

SILENCE

Once the recording mechanism starts, the machine continues to record until there is a silence lasting at least eight seconds. If the caller does not speak during this period the machine shuts down and a closing announcement is automatically given.

When the caller leaves a message, the machine will record it and continues to record until either the caller stops speaking for longer than eight seconds or replaces the receiver.

Three important uses are claimed for the new equipment. To provide an automatic telephone answering and recording service in the absence of the subscriber, to record a part or the whole of a two-way conversation when the machine is set for that purpose, and to record a telephone message, of a complex nature, when the subscriber has answered the call, thereby doing away with the need for notetaking.

The equipment is claimed to be simple to install and is operated from the normal mains supply.

STORAGE

The recording storage is up to 30 minutes and it has been found that this will allow for a dozen normal messages.

The equipment is designed so that it will only answer the caller if at least three minutes of recording time remain. If this amount of time is not available there is no answer.

To hear the messages left for him the subscriber merely turns the control knob to "rewind" and then to "play". Messages are played back through the loudspeaker or headphones. Should there be an incoming call during this period the bell will ring in the normal way and the subscriber need only turn the control knob to "pause" if he wishes to answer the call. This holds the machine at rest until the subscriber has finished his conversation.

In order to erase messages, the "rewind" and "erase" switches are used together. (Southern Instruments Limited, Frimley Road, Camberley, Surrey.)

Suitcase Designed For Rough Trips

A SUITCASE, specially designed for rough handling on air and coach journeys, has completed a round-the-world trip, and has arrived back in Britain with only slight superficial damage.

Because of complaints of luggage damaged in air transit, a British company set to work designing a case elegantly styled in contrasting colours, when weights less than 5 lbs. empty.

The company decided upon the most stringent of tests for their prototype, which has flexible lid and bottom, and comes, it is stated, well within the lightweight class.

They consigned it by rail to London and thence by road to London Airport, from where it was flown westwards by British Overseas Airways to Perth, Perth to Sydney, Australia. It journeyed via New York, San Francisco, Honolulu and Fiji.

In Sydney, it was redirected by Qantas Airlines to London, via Darwin, Jakarta, Singapore, Bangkok, Calcutta, Karachi, Beirut and Rome. It ended its journey at BOAC's Air Freight Depot in Chelsea, London.

A recent inquiry into causes of air damage to luggage conducted in the U.K. showed that the main cause was due to insufficient strength where weight was the important factor. (Sports Utilities Ltd., Oldham, Lancashire, England.)

Hinkley Point A-Power Station

WORK began at Hinkley Point in December 1957, and considerable progress has been made since. The station being built for the Central Electricity Generating Board by the English Electric, Babcock & Wilcox, Taylor, Woodrow atomic power group is the largest atomic power station in the world (500 MW) now under construction.

It is not only by far the largest of the four natural uranium, gas-cooled, graphite-moderated type now under construction in the United Kingdom, but its net electrical output of 500 MW from two reactors will be a record for a single power station. It is more than 50 per cent more than is expected from other reactors of comparable size, and it will be the first to provide electricity within the average generating cost at present applicable in the United Kingdom (5.5 pence per unit).

These advances are the result of careful design study, coupled with the choice of a site which provides freely for the substantial cooling water requirements.

When the station is completed in 1962, the two reactors will each have six steam-raising units giving a total steam production capacity of 5½ million lb./hr., supplied to six main turbo-alternators, each of 93.5 MW rating, and to three variable speed turbo-alternators supplying the gas circulator drives.

Air-Conditioning System Saves Space

AN air-conditioning system which saves so much space it can reduce the height of a 10-storey building by the equivalent of one storey has been introduced by a Sheffield, Yorkshire, firm of heating engineers.

The system is intended to meet the current fashion for tall office blocks. It demonstrates that the manufacturers have installed it in their own office building.

The saving in space is obtained by circulating the air at high velocity, thus much smaller air carrying ducts are needed and as a result the floor to floor heights of storeys can be cut down. It is a dual duct system which finally delivers a mixture of hot and cold air at the thermostatically controlled temperature required. It has taken three years to develop the system and one of the main features claimed is that it is almost completely noiseless.

If necessary the system can have refrigeration attached. This increases the cost, however, and is unnecessary in Britain where only a few days in the year call for refrigeration. (Brightside Heating and Engineering Co. Ltd., Don Road, Sheffield, Yorkshire, England.)

Magnetometer Shot Up Into Space By Rocket

London.

MR J. M. Stagg, Director of Services at the Air Ministry Meteorological Office, told a London audience that a new kind of magnetometer was being carried by rockets into the high atmosphere to find whether the earth's outer field agreed with what theory said it should be.

Giving one of the Royal Institution's lectures for children, Mr Stagg said that within the past two years, a completely new type of magnetometer had been devised which did not use any magnets at all.

It was "a bottle of water with an electric coil round it" which was put into a rocket-like container electrically wired and towed behind a ship.

One of the containers had recently been used between New Zealand and Singapore, measuring the magnetic field in the South Pacific. (China Mail Special.)

Weekly Survey Of The American Economy

Price Stability Move Viewed As Timely Step

New York, Jan. 18.

With recovery from the recession now well under way, President Eisenhower's proposal in his State of Union Message for a special cabinet committee on price stability was viewed as a timely step to curb what many economists now regard as the number one danger in the American economy—inflation.

Officials in Washington said the proposal showed the Administration's firm determination to launch a "grass roots" drive to ensure stable prices in a year that will see wage negotiations in several key industries.

Eisenhower's advisers, these officials report, are convinced that the current and continuing recovery means a steady rate of growth for the economy. The main question is how much this growth will cost in terms of inflation.

The Idea

The idea for the cabinet committee on price stability, it is widely held, originated with a group that included Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell and Raymond Saulnier, a highly-placed government economist. This group began meeting last August with a view both to trimming the budget and determining what influence the Administration could bring to bear on the private sector of the economy in order to keep prices stable.

The President was reportedly approached by members of Congress when he said he would present them next Monday with a "realistic budget with wholly attainable objectives" for the fiscal year starting July 1. On Tuesday he told a briefing of Republican Party leaders that the fiscal 1960 budget contemplates a surplus of 100 million.

It is on the private sector of the economy, however, that the committee is expected to concentrate in its efforts to hold prices stable, as the recovery gathers momentum.

The campaign for price stability may be backed up with radio and television talks by the President on the necessity for keeping the wage-price spiral under control.

Price Index

After maintaining a steady 123.7 level for the preceding three months, the consumer price index computed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics rose in November. The drop was smaller than before and was insufficient to offset a large increase in the cost of new automobiles and smaller increases in most other items.

The wholesale price index rose in November for the first time in five months as the decline in food prices slowed and prices of industrial commodities edged upward for the fifth successive month.

Prices of industrial commodities other than food or farm products rose 0.3 per cent in November, bringing the total increase since June to more than one per cent. Carrying the projection into December, the Federal Reserve Bank of New York estimated that these prices would show some further rise.

The Business Bulletin of the Cleveland Trust Company this week estimated that a projected price rise in 1959 is unlikely. "Overall productive capacity and labour supply should be ample to meet demand," the Bulletin notes. "The wartime type of inflation—too much money chasing too few goods—is not much in evidence. As to the cost-price push, the rate of gain in output per man-hour has been moving closer to that of wage costs. Thus the upward pressure on cost per unit of output, and therefore on industrial prices, will probably be less than in 1955-57."

The Necessity

In the long-term view, however, the Bulletin notes that there is a "substantial anxiety lest the necessity of repeated doses of inflation by means of successive Federal deficits becomes a requisite of a prosperous economy."

A report by the Departments of Commerce and Labor this week showed that the rate of unemployment, after season adjustment, rose in December to 6.1 per cent from 5.9 per cent in the previous month. The government said the jump was accounted for by unusually severe weather cutting outdoor work. The increase of 375,000 to a total of 4,100,000 unemployed was almost double

the seasonal rise ordinarily expected in December.

Manufacturing employment fell by 50,000 from the month before to 6.7 million, largely as a result of seasonal declines in clothing and food processing. Unemployment in the auto industry improved more than usual for the month, the report said, with primary metals, especially steel, showing better than usual improvement for the fifth month in a row.

The factory work-week rose by 18 minutes, in keeping with previous December performance, to 40 hours and 12 minutes—the longest since the pre-recession month of February, 1957.

Earnings

Factory workers weekly earnings climbed to a record average of \$8.04 on the strength of the longer work-week and a two-cent increase in average hourly earnings.

Any economic expansion strong enough to overcome this lag in employment, it is generally believed, will depend rather heavily on an increase in capital outlays by business. Although recent surveys indicate that businessmen are not yet planning a substantial increase in expenditures for plant and equipment—at least, not until spring—a continued strengthening of consumer demand might well induce businessmen to lift their sights somewhat higher.

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One of the year's first rounds of contract negotiations opened this week in Kansas City, where members of the oil, chemical and atomic workers union and bargainers for Sinclair Oil Corp. met. The Sinclair contract has traditionally set a pattern for the oil industry.

With management and labour gathering their forces for negotiations expected to open in mid-day, the steel industry attained its greatest production last week in the past 16 months. The American Iron and Steel Institute estimated this week's production at 2,123,000 tons. Production was expected this week to be at a rate of 75 per cent of the industry's new annual capacity of 147,633,670 tons.

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Car Firm Salesman Gaoled

A car salesman accused of embezzling \$1,100 from Far East Motors Ltd., was sentenced to two weeks' gaol by Mr Derek Cons at Central Magistrate's Court this morning.

The salesman, Lam Sze-wing, 45, was also sentenced to one year in gaol for breaching a deportation order. Lam, who had six previous convictions, was deported for life in 1951.

At a previous hearing, Detective Sub-Inspector R. L. Russell said Lam joined Far East Motors in September, 1957, as a car salesman at a monthly salary of \$200 plus commission.

The following month, Lam arranged the sale of used Hillman car to Lee Dai-ye for \$1,300.

On October 11, at Kowloon, Lee gave Lam a cheque for \$300 as deposit. This was witnessed by a car broker who introduced the two parties.

The following day, Lam received \$800 from Mr Lee and handed him a receipt.

Lam did not hand the \$1,100 to the sales manager.

The court was told Lam had since made restitution to the company.

BUSINESSMEN GO ON TRIAL

EUROPEAN CHARGED WITH STRIKING A POLICE OFFICER

A 48-year-old European, Bruce Munro-Smith, of 205 Lyton House, Mody Road, appeared before Mr I. M. S. Donnell at Kowloon Court this morning on charges of using abusive language in a public place, obstructing and assaulting a Police officer.

He pleaded not guilty to the charges through his solicitor, Mr I. A. MacCallum, of Wilkinsons and Grist, Sub-Inspector Alex. Liu prosecuted.

Sub-Inspector Pat told the court this morning that he had been on plain clothes duty outside the Sportsman's Arms, Cornwall Road on December 14, with a Police party. He said that he saw a rickshaw outside the bar. The officer said he intended to arrest the rickshaw puller as he knew he had no licence.

When questioned, the puller said he was waiting for a European. He gave the puller a chance to go inside to find his passenger.

Later he came out with Munro-Smith.

On seeing the Police Inspector, Munro-Smith allegedly said, "What's wrong?" The Inspector said he replied he intended to arrest the rickshaw puller. The defendant, the Inspector said, then replied "I want him to stay here." The Inspector asked defendant, "I want to know if you really ordered the rickshaw puller to stay here, otherwise I will arrest him."

MY SERVANT

The defendant then became angry. S.I. Pat said he swore and said, "I am an Englishman. You are my servant, get away." Then, it is alleged, the defendant used the back of his hand and slapped the Inspector across the face.

S.I. Pat said he cautioned defendant, saying there would be three charges against him, namely using abusive language, obstructing and assaulting a Police officer.

"The European then apologized to me," saying in Mandarin he was sorry and he was a little bit drunk, stated the Inspector.

Meanwhile another policeman called for an Emergency Unit car, and took the defendant back to Tsimshatsui Police Station.

NOT DRUNK

He was sent to Kowloon Hospital for a medical examination. A doctor certified the defendant was not drunk.

Mr MacCallum said his client did not assault the Inspector. He submitted the Inspector had not identified himself. He said his client only swore at the officer and was only making a gesture with his hand.

Mr MacCallum said the only reason the Inspector charged his client was that he was afraid to lose face before his subordinates.

Hearing is continuing.

Police Flats Robbery: Man Discharged

An unemployed man accused of a robbery in the police married quarters was discharged by Mr Derek Cons at Central Magistrate's Court this morning when the Prosecution entered a nolle prosequi.

Before the court was Lee Man-chong, 31, of 5 Hospital Road, second floor. Inspector Police had alleged that Lee robbed Yim Kin-hing, at Room 114, Block 2, police married quarters, Hollywood Road on January 10.

They originally claimed that Lee had stolen a diamond ring, a lady's wrist watch, a fountain pen and about \$500 in cash.

At Aberdeen Today



Mr J. Cater explains procedure at Aberdeen Fish Market to Dr Hill today. Mr I. Peterson is on Dr Hill's left. China Mail Photo.

DR HILL SEES LOCAL FISH MARKETS

Dr Charles Hill, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, visited the wholesale fish markets of Aberdeen and Kowloon, the Aberdeen fisheries office and the Kowloon Wholesale Vegetable Market this morning.

Dr Hill and Mr Harold Evans, Public Relations Officer to the Prime Minister were accompanied during the tours by Mr J. Cater, Registrar of Co-operatives and Director of Marketing, Mr K. W. J. Topley, Director Designate of the department.

At the Aberdeen fisheries office, Dr Hill was met by Mr L. S. Au, Assistant Fishery Officer and Mr Y. S. Yu, Acting Fishery Officer.

Later they went to the Aberdeen Wholesale Fish Market, where Dr Hill was welcomed by Mr C. Y. Tsang, the manager, and Mr I. Peterson, Marketing Officer, and other officials.

Here, he witnessed a fish auction sale. The party then crossed the harbour to visit the Kowloon Wholesale Fish Market and Kowloon Wholesale Vegetable Market.

Dr Hill then went to the Kowloon British Council Library where he was met by Mr S. C. Alexander, Director.

Continuing the tour, Dr Hill went to the Rifle Range, north of Kai Tak Airport at noon where he met men of the Lancashire Regiment in camp there.

The Australian Government Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, Mr K. T. Ridley returned to the Colony this morning from four months leave in Australia, via Singapore, by CPA.

U.S. Carrier, 9 Ships Here For Week

The 40,000-ton American aircraft carrier Yorktown flying the flag of Rear Admiral L. E. Colestock arrived this morning for a week's recreational visit.

The USS Yorktown is under the command of Captain P. E. Beedel. She has a peace-time complement of 2,000 men.

Shortly after the arrival of the carrier Commodore G. D. A. Gregory, Commodore D. In-charge, Hong Kong, called on Rear Admiral Colestock.

Rear Admiral Colestock will return the call this afternoon at HMS Tamar.

Nine other U.S. ships also arrived today for a week's recreational visit. They are the Taylor, Jenkins, Walker, Fechteler, Plunkaway, McCain, Fickling, Preston and Diodon.

Commander of Carrier Division 5, left Hong Kong this morning in the 45,000-ton aircraft carrier Midway after a week's recreational visit.

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After these had been exported, the exporter completed the bottom half of the form and handed it in together with shipping documents to the Comprehensive Certificate of Origin Office.

This office prepared a certificate of origin in quadruplicate. The original and a copy were given to the exporter who sent the original to the importer in the United States and the copy to a bank for letters of credit.

A copy was also sent to the United States Consulate General and the last copy was retained by the Department.

Three Charged With DCI Certificates Conspiracy

Three Chinese company executives went on trial this morning for allegedly conspiring to get comprehensive certificates of origin to export prawns and shrimps to the United States "by fraudulent means and dishonest devices".

The three men are Lee Po-on, of 2 Wood Road, second floor, director of Pan Asia Supply Company; Ling Hon-wai, alias Henry Ling, 39, of 3 Homuntin Street, first floor, manager of the company; and To Tat-ng, of 46 Haven Street, second floor, export manager of the company.

Ling, the second is also accused with corruptly giving a Government clerk \$1,200 as a reward for assisting their company by falsifying records kept by the Department of Commerce and Industry.

The case is before Judge B. J. Jennings at the Victoria District Court.

The Hon. Leo D'Almada, QC, and Mr Patrick Y. are appearing for the accused on the instructions of Mr Peter Mo.

By Agreement

Mr Desmond Mayne said in his opening address that by agreement between Hong Kong and the American Treasury, certain categories of goods presumed to be of Chinese or Korean origin may be imported into the United States from Hong Kong provided they were covered by a comprehensive certificate of origin and provided that certain fixed procedures had been gone through in relation to the goods in order to qualify them.

The various procedures were designed to ensure that the goods certified were manufactured or processed in the Colony, Mr Mayne said.

These procedures varied. For shrimps and prawns, the procedures laid down were that the commodity had to be landed at Aberdeen Fish Market from a Hong Kong-registered vessel then sold at an auction.

Directed by the Co-operative and Marketing Department.

The commodity also had to be sold to registered buyers and be escorted to the cold store by a marketing inspector. At the Cold Store, the shrimps and prawns were required to be kept in specified places separated from any Chinese or uncertified shrimps and prawns.

The shrimps and prawns would then be processed and later the process would be sealed by a D.C.I. Revenue officer, in order to make up for wastage in processing, the Department allowed for wastage up to 25 per cent.

Account

Mr Mayne said that the quantity of these Hong Kong shrimps and prawns would be entered in a stock account.

The exporter had to apply to the Department of Commerce and Industry for a certificate of origin, and for a certificate of origin, details of this would be entered in the Department's register and the stock was checked.

The application would be approved only if there were sufficient Hong Kong shrimps and prawns to cover the application. Once this was approved, the stock account would be debited with the amount and the D.C.I. prepared another form which was collected by the exporter or his agent from the Comprehensive Certificate of Origin Office.

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Mr Mayne said Pan Asia Supply Company, of 302 Des Voeux Road Central, second floor, was a partnership of the three defendants all of whom took an active part in its management. The second defendant was the manager and the third was its export manager. They specialised in exports to the United States.

In February, 1956, the company registered with the D.C.I. for certificates of origin to export shrimps and prawns to the United States. It was agreed that the processing of shrimps and prawns would be carried out at the Dairy Farm Cold Storage at East Point.

Early in 1957 the importation of Hong Kong shrimps and prawns to USA was stopped, but it was resumed in June, and apparently since then the business of Pan Asia had been almost exclusively exportation of shrimps and prawns to the USA and its dependencies.

Seized

According to Crown Counsel, in March 1957 an investigation into the affairs of the company started and a great number of documents, accounts and letters were seized at their office, at the Dairy Farm and also at the Department of Commerce and Industry.

It was found that the Dairy Farm had on a number of occasions released from cold store against Commerce and Industry forms uncertified shrimps and prawns for shipment under certificates of origin.

It was also discovered that on five separate occasions applications under DC & I forms for certificates of origin for a total of 61,000 lbs of shrimps and prawns had not been dealt with as they should have in the stock account kept by the Department.

Mr Mayne said that investigations were also made in respect of the 25 per cent wastage allowed and it came to light that although the normal wastage in the processing was actually nearer 35 per cent than 25 per cent, varying according to the size of the shrimps, Pan Asia always managed to have only 25 per cent wastage. "The inference being that the difference had come from uncertified shrimps and prawns," Crown Counsel alleged.

Hearing is continuing.

From the Files

25 years AGO

Mr John Thomas Cotton, who will shortly be celebrating his 60th year of residence in Hong Kong told reporters that when he first came to Hong Kong as a corporal in the Royal Artillery, the only main thoroughfare was Queen's Road which extended from Wanchai to the Gas Works at West Point.

There were no trains, only rickshaws. The Rope Factory was the first in West Point.

He also revealed that Murray Parade Ground used to slope but was levelled by the military authorities.

Mr Cotton, formerly with Prisons Department, the Customs and finally the Hongkong Hotel Company said the Commodore was the first to build on the Peak, then Mr Bellies, and then Sir Robert Ho Tung.

He recalled the building of the Peak Tramway when every brick was carried up by women and small children.

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An editorial in the SCMP said: "Hong Kong waits patiently for the day when Imperial Airways liners will alight at Kai Tak and provide direct transport to Croydon in a time not imagined when British pioneers established this Colony less than 100 years ago."

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AMONG those attending the reunion dinner of former students of Trinity College, Dublin, at the Hong Kong Club, were Dr G. V. Griffith, Mr C. G. Perdue, Dr R. E. Tottenham, Mr E. H. Williams, Mr G. S. Kennedy-Skipton, Mr E. G. Stewart and Mr G. Woods.

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The Cuban Government has been asked by Colonel Batista, commander-in-chief of the Army. Batista has been declared Colonel Batista's coup followed the outbreak of a general strike. There is however a widespread belief that Batista himself will soon be overthrown.

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FOR Sale: 1932 model Austin Seven saloon. Two new tyres. Owner driven \$975. Tudor Ford saloon in good running order \$800. Standard 1930, completely overhauled, \$650.

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A seven-storey Chinese restaurant, known as the Kan Loong, has been built on a site at the corner of Wing Lok Street and Des Voeux Road facing the Sincere Co and the Sun Company and will open for business before the Chinese New Year.

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Motorist Hits Car, 4 People, Fined \$100

A motorist who knocked down four pedestrians after hitting another car was fined \$100 in Central Magistrate's Court today.

Mr K. A. S. Phillips ordered his licence to be endorsed.

The motorist, Wong Kwai-tin, of 8 Eagle Road, third floor, had pleaded not guilty of careless driving at a previous hearing but reversed his plea this morning to guilty.

The prosecutor, Sub-Inspector T. Webster said that on October 19, last year, Wong was driving along Priscock Road behind another car.

About 30 feet from the junction of King's and Priscock Roads, Wong's car hit the rear of the car in front.

After hitting the car, Wong overtook it and knocked down four people.

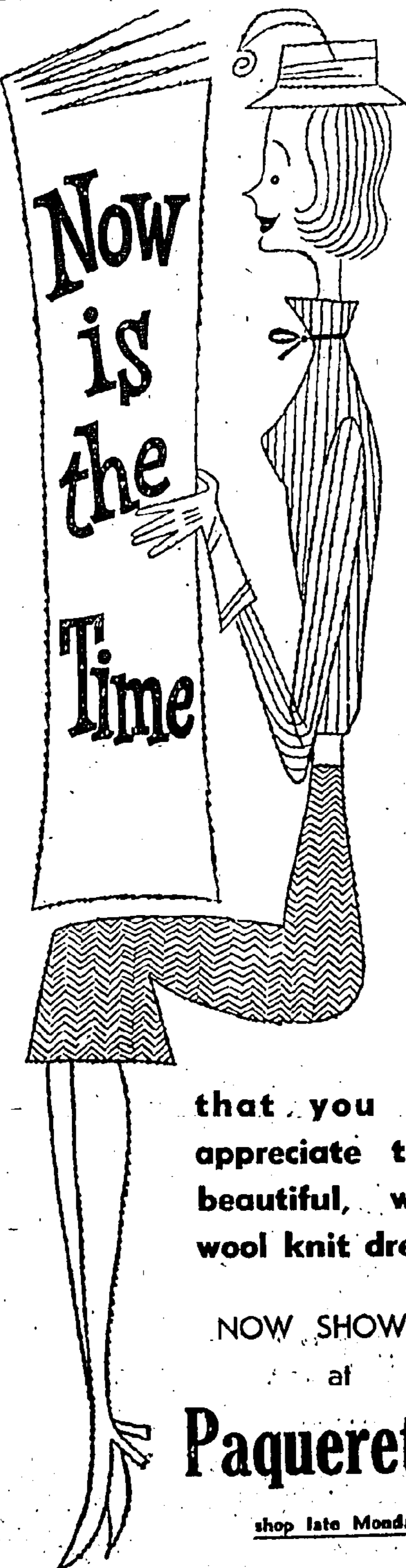
His car then mounted the pavement outside the Metropole Theatre on the south side of King's Road and hit a lamp post.

The owner of the damaged car stopped and spoke to Wong who said that his brakes did not work.

Examined by police later, the brakes were found to be sound. The four people, Wong hit suffered slight injuries.

Mr A. J. Arcilli (for Wong) asked the court to take a lenient view of the case, as Wong had a clean record since 1955.

Trying to avoid hitting the car, he had made an error of judgment and knocked down the four people, Mr Arcilli said. Wong was given 34 hours to pay the fine.



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